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WORLD OF RADIO 1722 CONTENTS: \*DX and station news about:
Anguilla, Bolivia, Bosnia, Brazil, Canada, Central African Republic
non, Chad, Cuba, Diego Garcia, East Turkistan, Egypt, France non,
Haiti, India, Indonesia, Iran non, Korea North non, Korea South,
Madagascar, Mexico, North America, Per', Philippines, Russia, Sarawak
and non, Serbia non, Somaliland, Taiwan, Tajikistan, Thailand,
Ukraine, USA, Uzbekistan, Zanzibar

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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1722, May 22-28, 2014
Thu 0330 WRMI 9955 [1721 replayed]
Thu 1230 WRMI 9955 [confirmed]
Thu 2100 WBCQ 7490 [new; replayed 1721]
Thu 2100 WTWW 9475 [confirmed]
Fri 0326v WWRB 5050 [confirmed]
Sat 0630 HLR
               7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1430 HLR
               7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 2330v WTWW 9930 [confirmed]
Sun 0030 WRMI 9495
Sun 0401 WTWW 5830 [confirmed]
Mon 0300v WBCQ 5110v-CUSB Area 51 [confirmed]
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955
Wed 0630 HLR
               7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 1315 WRMI 9955 [on northwest antenna]
Wed 1430 HLR
               7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v new
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Thu 0330 WRMI 9955 [or 1723 if ready in time]

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WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS HAVE RESUMED starting with #1701: Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club. http://www.rmrc.de/index.php? option=com\_podcast&view=feed&format=raw&Itemid=156&lang=de http://tunein.com/radio/World-of-Radio-p198/

## OUR ONDEMAND AUDIO:

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them too complex, minutely researched, multi-frequency, opinionated,
inconsequential, off-topic, or lengthy for some log editors to
manage; and also ahead of their availability in these weekly issues:
http://www.hard-core-dx.com/index.php?topic=Hauser

DXLD YAHOOGROUP: Why wait for DXLD? A lot more info, not all of it appearing in DXLD later, is posted at our yg without delay.

When applying, please identify yourself with your real name and location, and say something about why you want to join. Those who do not, unless I recognize them, will be prompted once to do so and no action will be taken otherwise. Here's where to sign up: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/

\*\* ALBANIA. MOST IMPORTANT: The two Chinese 500 kW transmitters in Fllaka suffer much by very annoying frequency deviation of a few hundred Hertz to regular ITU frequency spacing. I have often sent remarks to you in the past few months of logs of the observed Fllaka frequency deviations from that location.

This annoying interference manifests itself as terrible whistling sound of some 200 to 600 Hertz interference tone at the receiving locations throughout Europe and disturbs "the sense of hearing" of the average listener very much.

Is this because you can not invite a competent Chinese engineer

sometime, who has operated this station type in China, to carry out a precise expert adjustment of the Fllaka transmitters to their correct frequencies?

- 1. The best RT frequency of the three is the 1395 kHz channel, which is very good to hear in Central Europe such as France, Germany, Czech Republic, former Yugoslavia and Italy and in the UK.
- 2. 1215 kHz suffers much interference from some co-channel stations in England and Kaliningrad-Russia. This channel is only good in relation to central and southern Italy, former Yugoslavia up to Trieste, Rijeka, Split, Sarajevo, Kosovo, Macedonia, and northern Greece.
- 3. The 1458 kHz frequency is the worst of all three. Since there are too many co-channel interference factors, especially from co-channel services in England and Romania. This results in a very negative reception signal at the average listener in Italy, Kosovo and Greece.

Due to the interfering co-channel station in London-England, this Radio Tirana channel is rather USELESS for the average listener in central and northern Germany, up to Frankfurt-Leipzig area northwards during dark nighttime hours (Wolfgang B¸schel, advice to and via Drita «iÁo, R. Tirana, DXLD)

We can only hope, that Russian transmission to Ukraine on 1215 kHz stops soon, so that would improve CRI 1215 kHz reception quite a bit. But the main problem with all your transmitters is that they are substantially OFF the nominal frequency, which causes heterodyne whistle with any other station, so in a way you are jamming yourself. Please adjust the transmitters on exact frequency, by at least ±10 Hz. (Mauno Ritola, ibid.)

Dear Mauno in Finland, Thank you for your remarks and comments. It reminded me the technical principle for measurements & corrections of all - Radio Tirana International's high frequencies up to 22 languages/daily/half an hour at our Monitoring Center from 1966-1993 (for 33 years). Strange, all frequency corrections were made only by our Monitoring Center installed at ATA Telegraphic Receiving Radiostation in Komez field, 8 km away from Tirana.

This system for frequency measurement was based on making ZERO the Heterodyne whistle you hear while: a frequency synthetizator type PBE-1 (a Chinese Russian copy) properly connected with the output of the medium & short wave receiver WS423, to create the heterodyne whistle between the carrier of every radio channel with the produced frequency by PBE-1. Strange, all the frequencies were corrected ONLY by our Monitoring Center (Qendra e Kontrollit) via direct telephone lines

with Cerrik Zona A, Cerrik Zona B, Fllaka, Shijak / R-stations.

These direct dedicated tel lines were step by step destroyed, once the private system was introduced in the years -1990. I remember, my first day in turn shift 1, end of September - beginning of October 1981, how much I suffered to correct about 10 frequencies every half an hour, due to the several 'wrong' corrections/frequency made by the operators at r/stations in Cerrik & Shijak. I never suspected for any game in this. :) & :( For more, read on:

http://www.dxhamradio.com/dritacico/ History\_of\_Radio\_Tirana\_by\_Eng\_Drita\_Cico\_May\_2006.pdf

and an article written a decade ago by Erik Koie, Radio Denmark Monitoring, retired, also uploaded by the author in the Internet years ago, but could not find it now?! (Drita «iÁo, ibid.)

9845, R Tirana, English with IS, ID and s/on with schedule into English news including items that are embarrassing to Albania, such as a hunger strike of ipolitical prisonersî and the arguing in Parliament in Tirana over media control. This is NOT your fatherís Radio Tirana!

:) Music from 0140 to s/off rounded out the show and they ended with their IS at 0158. 4554+4+ 0128-0200\* 10/May.

9845, R Tirana, English but faking us out by playing stuff that sounded like Afro-chant music. English Anouncements between the selections and then iGood Night From Albaniaî their IS and carrier off. 4+5554+ 0140-0157\* 11/May (Kenneth Vito Zichi, Port Hope MI, MARE Tipsheet 16 May via DXLD)

\*\* ALGERIA [non]. 11985, May 17 at 0623, Qur`aning, poor-fair. It`s RTA via FRANCE during this hour only (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* AMSTERDAM ISLAND. FT5ZM ---> "With 14 FT5ZM team members paying 51% of the total costs and DX Foundations, DX Clubs and individual DXers contributing the difference, we have reached our goal of \$450,000", the team reported on 14 May. "All of our DXpedition costs can now be paid and we can look forward to our next project. Any additional contributions received now, will be used to reduce the approximately \$16,500 paid by each team member. In order to properly recognize and thank those who helped us financially, we have uploaded all contributors (57,069 QSOs of our total 170,000 QSOs) to Logbook of the World (LoTW). We will continue to upload any new OQRS direct requests to LoTW as time permits". QSL cards are in the final design phase; distribution will begin to OQRS requestors in mid-June, followed first by traditional direct requests and then by bureau requests. A full LoTW upload is expected in September. Watch

- http://www.sjdxa.org/ft5zm-qsl.htm
  for updates from the QSL manager (N200) on the QSL process.
- (17 May 2014 A.R.I. DX Bulletin No 1202, \*\*\* 4 2 5 D X N E W S \*\*\*
  \*\*\*\* DX INFORMATION \*\*\*\* Edited by I1JQJ & IK1ADH, Direttore
  Responsabile I2VGW, via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)
- \*\* ANGOLA. 4949.744, Radio Nacional, Mulvenos, 18 May, 2356 instrumental music, time pips at the top of hour, canned ID, talk, ballads. Modulation and signal fair.
- 73, (Brandon Jordan, Fayette County, TN EM55gc, http://www.swldx.us WinRadio G33DDC, WinRadio G313-e, RFSpace SDR-IQ, Icom R75, Eton E1 DX Engineering NCC-1 Phased Dual Active Verticals Array Solutions AS-SAL-12 Shared Apex Loop Array Solutions AS-SAL-30 Shared Apex Loop dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* ANGUILLA [and non]. 1610, May 17 at 0555 UT, can barely make out from the southeast PMS // 6090, as well as harp music from the northeast, surely CHHA Toronto. Usually these very weak signals are both blocked by IBOC from 1600s in St Louis and Denver; can both of those be off IBOC now, or forever? Again no IBOC from either angle around 0155 UT May 18 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* ANGUILLA. 6090, male prayer sermon on air, S=9+15dB or -56dBm, annoying hum buzz of probably co-ch R Nigeria Kaduna now on 6089.855 kHz today 0440 UT. (Wolfgang B schel, log of this May 15 morning, noted at 0355 til 0510 UT slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* ARGENTINA. 15345.11, RAE, May 16 1324-1334, 1402-1410, 35322, Spanish, Talk and music, ID at 1324 and 1329, ID and IS at 1402 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- 11710.7, May 17 at 0113, RAE fair and in the clear with music, talk in Japanese, as Cairo [see EGYPT] is inexplicably missing from 11710v. Later RAE is spelling out website in English, music in Spanish. There is still a very weak het from some other signal on 11710.0, but nothing else listed in HFCC, EiBi or Aoki. Or maybe that's a remnant from Cairo QRP? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- Argentina 11710a back to full power! Still off frequency het so not different transmitter but had been getting weaker, saying quitting SW when xmtr dies. So they seem to have gotten cheap partial repair. Those with communications receivers and best portables for LSB/USB should be able to listen for years. 73, (George Sherman, MN, UT May

- 11710, RAE, 21/05 0145 UT. Servicio en idioma japonÈs con m'sica de folklore y tango. SINPO: 44554 con leve heterodino, presuntamente de R. Cairo servicio en castellano (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: hilo 30 metros, QTH: Ovalle centro, IV regiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)
- \*\* AUSTRALIA. Alberta TPs for 16 May 2014 --- A little more DU action today, with once again the X-band delivering the only audio.
- 1628.93 traces of man speaking at 1124. Interestingly, this was apparently not the the same station noted on the 10th, as it was about 100 Hz lower, and indeed there was a weaker carrier on 1629.03 today.
- 1701.07 Presumed Radio Brisvaani with talk by a man in what was likely Hindi.
- 1503, 1557, and 1566 also had good carriers, but not enough for audio. 73, (Nigel Pimblett, Dunmore, Alberta, IRCA via DXLD)
- \*\* AUSTRALIA. [Re 14-20:] ``15300, May 14 at 0300, yes, R. Australia is back here tonight, not 15530, but with news in English. A token French broadcast had been scheduled 0300-0315 M-F; what became of that? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)``
- Hi Glenn, Last Wednesday you heard no French on 15300, but this Wed. (May 21) noted French at 0310 and // 15240; both fair-good. You must have had an anomaly? (Ron Howard, CA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- Or maybe it does not really start until 0305? (Glenn, ibid.)
- \*\* AUSTRALIA. Obituary ñ William (Bill) Davidson BEM BB By: Bruce Wilson
- WILLIAM (Bill) Davidson, former Officer-in-Charge of the Radio Australia Shepparton shortwave broadcasting station, passed away quietly on Friday, June 29, aged 92 years. [ergo: 2012y === gh]
- Bill was born to Emily and Thomas Davidson at Californian Gully, Bendigo. He was educated at Eaglehawk and later at Elmore before joining the PMG Department as a messenger boy in 1933. He later became a PMG Lineman-in-training at Fishermanís Bend, completing his training in 1941.
- Bill joined the newly formed PMG Radio Lines Section in Victoria and worked on the construction of radio antennas and transmission lines at RAAF and US Army bases at Laverton, Point Cook, Werribee, Ballarat,

Rockbank and Diggers Rest.

In 1943, Bill transferred to the International High Frequency, Transmitting Station (later Radio Australia) Shepparton where work was in progress to establish a new high power shortwave radio station as an integral component to the development of a National Broadcasting Service.

Bill was primarily engaged in the construction of aerial arrays, transmission lines and line switching systems. These facilities included some 19 antenna arrays, 14 guyed lattice steel masts and associated transmission lines, switching systems and control cables.

In 1945, he joined the Transmitter Operation and Maintenance staff as an Acting Technician and worked hard to study the technical aspects of shortwave broadcasting including two newly commissioned STC/AWA 100,000 watt transmitters. Over the years, additional transmitters and specialised broadcasting plant came into service.

In 1957, the station began a major expansion of antennas and transmitting equipment and Bill was appointed as Supervising Technician to carry out the work. He spent the next five years in charge of local staff engaged in the project.

In April 1962, Bill was appointed Officer-in-Charge of the Radio Australia shortwave station and remained in that position until he retired in March 1980. During that time, he managed a technical staff of some forty people and worked closely with antenna lines staff, electrical staff and specialist engineers. He was frequently called upon to host a variety of local and international visitors to the station which he did with great grace and charm.

Bill was proud to be one of a very small number of people who witnessed the historic occasion of the first overseas radio transmission that took place from Shepparton on 15 May 1944, using an RCA, 50,000 watt transmitter. He also took pride in the role played by Radio Australia in the aftermath of Cyclone Tracy and in presenting Australia to the rest of the world.

Bill was always kind and generous. He never had a bad word to say about anyone and was always available to assist anyone who needed his help. He was an active member of the congregation at Wesley Church from his arrival in Shepparton in 1943 until his death and he lived up to his Christian values by always putting people first. His involvement at work and in the community led to Bill being awarded The Order of the British Empire ñ Medal (BEM) on June 13, 1981 with the citation ñ for Public and Community Service.

Bill had great empathy and held great affection for his fellow man. This is reflected in the comments of his friends and all staff who worked with him. He was a good friend and mentor to many. In simple terms, Billís contribution to shortwave broadcasting in Australia and to Shepparton will always be remembered.

Bill was a devoted family man. His wife of 66 years, Maisie (nee Pottenger) passed away in December 2011. He is survived by his children, Rosemary, Rhonda, Barbara and Anthony, seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren (source?? via Ian Baxter, May 16, 2014, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

He was a significant part of RA Shepparton's history & I thought the content of the obituary pertaining to his life at RA SHP would be interesting for the members (Ian Baxter, NSW, ibid.)

\*\* AUSTRIA. 6155, ORF / ORS Moosbrunn, news in German at 0501 UT, S=8 -81dBm, low temperature of 3 to 12 cC temp, heavy rain and snowfall in Austria and southern Tyrolia from 1000 m ASL level. 0500-0615 UT scheduled (Wolfgang B schel, log of this May 15 morning, noted at 0355 til 0510 UT slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BANGLADESH. 15105, Bangladesh Betar, May 16 1246-1259\*, 34443, English, Talk and music, ID at 1250, 1259 sign off (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15105, Bangladesh Betar, Dhaka, 17 May, 1253 - English service, pop song by Patty Smyth, ID, mailing and email address and off at 12:59:30. Good. 73, (Brandon Jordan, Fayette County, TN - EM55gc, http://www.swldx.us
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BB, 15505 1411-1429\* 20 May. Having transmitter problems today -- occasional audio pop-ups with Urdu songs, mostly transmitter off or just unmodulated carrier (Dan Sheedy, Swami's Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BERLIN. History AFN Berlin --- Pres. Truman in 1950 http://www.kalter-krieg-im-radio.de/index.php?et=6&er=16 (via Wolfgang B\_schel, DXLD)

Linx to a clip of the AFN ID, and start of a speech by Pres. Truman about the Korean War in 1950y (gh, DXLD)

\*\* BOLIVIA. Algo pasadita de hora, a las 0906 UT del domingo, comienza la transmisiÛn de Radio Mosoj Chaski en 3310 kHz: http://youtu.be/uWvd4czEXYY (Rodolfo Tizzi http://cx2abp.blogspot.com/ May 19, condiglista yg via DXLD)

\*\* BOLIVIA. 4716.65, Radio Yatun Ayllu Yura, Yura, 2344 to 0008 with two long music selection, then on to yl and om, back to music. Excellent signal tonight may indicate a good opening to America Latina 73s (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, 0010 UT May 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Not so here when checking after 0100 --- high atmopsheric noise level on 60m (gh, OK, DXLD)

[and non] Thanks Rob, heard the very same program on a remote SDR unit in NY/MA USA. 4716.692 kHz at 0045 UT May 21, mx ended at 0044 UT, followed by talk of male announcer. S=6 or -86dBm.

Nearby Radio Progreso from CUBA on 4765 kHz, nice smooth sweet songs, S=9 or -68dBm signal. 73 wb (Wolfgang B schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks for the tip, Bob. I hear it here as well with Andean music and with a fair signal (at +692 Hz). (Sylvain Naud, Portneuf, QC CAN, http://www.quebecdx.com Perseus + 105m short Beverage NE-SW, playdx yg via DXLD)

\*\* BOLIVIA. 5580.3, 2235- 26/04, R San Josè, S Josè de Chiquitos, px mx in S, 32222 (Saverio De Cian & Valter Comuzzi http://www.mcdxt.it/via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

5580.3, May 18 at 0108 not only a carrier but some music audible, from presumed R. San Josè, allegedly only 250 watts per WRTH 2014, with closing varying around 0200. I check for this most evenings, but seldom anything detectable. There is still too much local line noise to copy anything, but the carrier is still there at rechex 0119, 0132, 0141, 0153.

5580.3, May 21 at 0121, JBA carrier, presumed R. San JosÈ (de Chiquitos). This offset frequency was also independently measured and reported by Saverio de Cian & Valter Comuzzi in Italy, April 26 at 2235 via playdx (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX WORLD OF RADIO 1722, LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BOLIVIA. CQ, CQ, CQ --- AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este

## Quipus lo siguiente:

5952.40, R. Pio XII, Siglo XX; 6/05 1025-1050, 44444, news, ID "Dentro de unos instantes continuamos con las noticias por la red Pio XII", ID "Pio XII, cincuenta aòos haciendo historia"

6134.80, R. Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz; 1/05 2228-2245, 44444+, m<sup>\*</sup>sica rom·ntica LA, ID "Santa Cruz, una radio para el pueblo"

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 22/04 al 18/05 en compaÒla de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, ser·n mejor escuchadas con los audlfonos. Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, CHASQUI DX MAYO 2014, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BOLIVIA. Emisora Pio XII, 5952 kHz, 0226 UT - at this time today was station signing off, OM announcements, station ID, times, frequencies, etc -

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7uSRE1AwXFQ

Red Patria Nueva, La Paz, 6025 kHz, 0202 UT May 16 - fair, good signal today with not so strong QRM from CRI [Albania] on 6020 kHz as usual. Station ID song -

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p4aHcIxE3E4

QTH: Moscow region, Russia. Equipment: Degen 1103, built-in telescopic antenna. Best regards, (Eduard, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BOLIVIA. 6134.819, Radio Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz de la Sierra, 19 May, 0015 - Latin pops and ballads, artists such Denise Rosenthal, Chayenne, Leo Dan, Mocedades etc, canned ID's between songs. Excellent S9+10 signal. 73, (Brandon Jordan, Fayette County, TN - EM55gc, http://www.swldx.us

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And no het from Aparecida, BRASIL? Whenever I check, they are both useless (gh, DXLD)

6134.78v, R. Santa Cruz, 0214\*, May 21 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BOSNIA. [See SERBIA; re IRS missing due to flooding in Bijeljina]

GRACANICA: WATER IS WITHDRAWN, FEARS OF LANDSLIDES TIME TODAY:
Moderately to predominantly obalac(no, temperatures up to 24 degrees
NEWS > BA 05/18/2014 . | SAYS : Liberation PORTAL

Bijeljina Sava began to blue and village Balatun, evacuated 6,000 people Water continued to penetrate through the collapsed portion of the embankment at "Visoc(e" in Bijeljina, and in addition to great efforts to defend and topped the Sava embankment in Raca, and the water began to blue and village Balatun.

Civil protection teams and individuals during the night working on moving sandbags from the city crnjelovsko settlement Burum, where about 200 villagers Crnjelovo worked on establishing channels that threatens to flood Crnjelovo was said by the Headquarters for Emergency Situations town of Bijeljina.

Evacuation of the population

In parallel with the work on providing canals and embankments, conducted the evacuation of the population from villages threatened by water from the basin.

Total has evacuated about 6,000 inhabitants, of whom about 500 accommodated in reception centers in primary schools "Knez Ivo consists of artists" and "Vuk Karadzic" in Bijeljina, Gymnasium "Filip" sports hall in Bijeljina and student home where they located the elderly, and previously was in the barracks and Sokol house situated 288 persons.

Yesterday and during the night there were 27 teams with 150 lifeguards, and there were 297 interventions in vulnerable areas along the Sava River and other affected areas in the city - Parts, Dvorovima, Popov and amulets.

In addition to teams from Bijeljina and crew of the Armed Forces, the Police, "Elektro - Bijeljina," are engaged and teams from Foca, Visegrad, Rudo, Srebrenica, and this afternoon are expected to attend a special rescue team from Great Britain.

In addition to working on the evacuation of Batkovic', Balatun, Broca, Ostojic and Velinog villages, rescue teams and residents evacuating people's palace, Parts and curves Ponds.

The normalization of the situation in Agnes

Normalize the situation in Agnes and the surrounding villages, from which the water receded. In Agnes began to collect and bury depredations .

The hospital facilities are located evacuated sick persons and dialysis patients from the town of Bijeljina and several surrounding municipalities.

In all detention centers and checkpoints around the affected areas on call medical team of the Health and medical teams will be on duty today and at the entrance to Brodac, at the petrol pumps.

During yesterday in parts of the town of Bijeljina, from which water is withdrawn normalized the supply of electricity and telephone connections.

The water from the municipal water supply system is right for technical use, for the purpose of prevention, it is recommended to drink water before the boil.

In Bijeljina come large amounts of aid from municipalities and cities in the Republic of Serbian and environment, and are most in need of food, drinking water, fodder, blankets, beach chairs and cushions.

Also, currently the most vulnerable in personnel to determine the remaining dikes and canals.

The water level in the basin Gradiska increased slightly, in Samac and Bijeljina declines

In the area of Gradiska water level of the river basin in a slight increase due to the impact of the Una River, which is a tremendous amount of water introduced into the river Sava, told Srna Darko Borojevic' from the Department of Hydrology hidrometereoloökog Republican Institute.

The water level of the river basin in the area Srbac and to Brod stagnant, while according Samac and Bijeljina in slight decline, said Borojevic'.

The water level of the river Vrbas and Vrbanja the area of Banja Luka from this morning is significantly decreased and returned to their beds.

The water level of the river Sana in Prijedor is declining and is 499 centimeters and is located above the elevation of emergency flood control, while the water level of the river Una in Novi Grad declining and currently stands at 550 centimeters, said Borojevic'

BIJELJINA: WATER PENETRATES THROUGH THE EMBANKMENT VISOC(E.N.N. - 05/18/2014 10:07

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In Agnes began to collect and bury depredations.

The hospital facilities are located evacuated sick persons and dialysis patients from the town of Bijeljina and several surrounding municipalities.

In all detention centers and checkpoints around the affected areas on call medical team of the Health and medical teams will be on duty

today and at the entrance to Brodac, at the petrol pumps.

During yesterday in parts of the town of Bijeljina, from which water is withdrawn normalized the supply of electricity and telephone connections.

The water from the municipal water supply system is right for technical use, for the purpose of prevention, it is recommended to drink water before the boil.

In Bijeljina come large amounts of aid from municipalities and cities in the Republic of Serbian and environment, and are most in need of food, drinking water, fodder, blankets, beach chairs and cushions.

Also, currently the most vulnerable in personnel to determine the remaining dikes and canals (Google translation via gh, DXLD)

\*\* BRAZIL. RE 14-20, LISTA DE EMISSORAS BRASILEIRAS ATIVAS EM 2.014 NAS ONDAS TROPICAIS --- DANIEL WYLLYANS NOVA XAVANTINA MT BRAZIL (ATUALIZADO MAIO 2014) http://dxbrazilsw.blogspot.com

Some remarks are indeed in German, but perhaps this HTM nevertheless of "global interest":

http://www.rhci-online.de/files/
frequencias\_ativas\_em\_ondas\_tropicais\_no\_Brasil.htm

(transmission times and power unaudited acquisitions from other lists, errors are not excluded even in the Live Streams) (roger, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[And now he follows up with the shortwave bands above tropical; I am not reproducing either list here because they would require too much clean-up editing; also the frequencies are all rounded off, some of them 5 kHz off, and really consist of a recent log of each:]

LISTA COMPLETA DE FREQUENCIAS DE EMISSORAS EM ONDAS CURTAS BRASILEIRAS (ATUALIZADO) --- DANIEL WYLLYANS NOVA XAVANTINA MATO GROSSO BRAZIL http://dxbrazilsw.blogspot.com/2014/05/lista-completa-de-frequencias-de.html (Wyllyans, May 19, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Bom dia, Permita me um adendo, a Bandeirantes-SP transmite tambèm em 5990 kHz (Paulo Labastie, Pindamonhangaba-SP, ibid.)

No, it doesn't. Unless it's a spur from 6090. Details? Anyone else hearing it on 5990? That was a DRM test frequency from RNB (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BRAZIL. 4775, May 17 at 0051, usual low rumbling het/fast SAH

- between Per and Brasil listening in AM, but with USB mode, I'm only hearing Brazuguese, YL speaking/preaching with reverb, soon mentioning Congonhas a few times, 0053 hymn, fair signal.
- 4815, May 17 at 0054, encouraged by 4775, I find an even stronger Brazilian here, no doubt Londrina, preacher in Brazuguese, fair vs CODAR. 4885 presumably Par· also in not quite as well, so skip to:
- 4915, May 17 at 0055, ``Aparecida de Goi,nia`` mentioned and then ``R·dio Daqui`` several times. These four were the best on 60m, but by 0125 recheck, all of them had weakened; probably coincidentally a cold front blew thru here (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* BRAZIL. CQ, CQ, CQ --- AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:
- 4865.00, BRASIL, R. Verde Floresta [sic], Acre, 5/05 1040-1105, 44444, programa religioso, ID "Radio FlorestaÖ (escuchar grabaciÛn adjunta)
- 4875.00, BRASIL, R. Dif. Roraima, Boa Vista; 27/04 0010-0035, 33333, m'sica rom·ntica, ID "Est·n ahora en Difusora", m'sica.
- 4885.00, BRASIL, R. Dif. Acreana; Rio Branco; 2/05 1010-1035, 33333+, m'sica en forma continua, ads, use productos originales, cuide a su familia, programa la hora milagrosa presentada por la iglesia catÚlica Acre, Amazonas. M'sica con motivos religiosos.
- 6180.00, BRASIL, R. Nacional da AmazÙnia, BrasÌlia; 29/04; 2337-0005, 44444+, programa informaciÛn en tiempo real, ID "Nacional da AmazÙnia en onda corta" [sic] (escuchar grabaciÛn)
- La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 22/04 al 18/05 en compaÒÌa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, ser·n mejor escuchadas con los audÌfonos. Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, CHASQUI DX MAYO 2014, DX LISTENING DIGEST) That`s amazing, four ZYs in a row exactly on-frequency; or were those default approximations? (gh, DXLD)
- \*\* BRAZIL [and non]. 5939.802, R·dio Voz Mission·ria, Cambori, SC, Portuguese, weak at 0404 UT.
- 5955.000, ZYE965, R Gazeta, S,,o Paulo SP, at 0406 UT, weak signal.
- 5964.938, R Transmundial (RTM), Santa Maria RS, also weak signal this

night morning.

6009.883, Probably La Voz de tu Conciencia, Lomalinda, Puerto Lleras, Meta, COLOMBIA - in Spanish, nice sweet romantic music at 0410 UT, S=8 -57dBm. and adjacent channel of 6010.063, S=5 -90dBm BRA?, ZYE521, R·dio InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte MG.

6180.005, RNB S=9+15dB -54dBm, fluttery signal, phone-in program by two men.

More Brazilians this morning:

9586.502, ZYE969, Super R Deus È Amor, S"o Paulo SP, female sermon prayer at 0515 UT May 19. Rather S=5-6 -96dBm poor signal. Very odd frequency today.

9645.389, ZYE957, R·dio Bandeirantes, S"o Paulo SP, at 0512 UT, S=6 - 92dBm signal strength.

9664.261, ZYE890, R Voz Mission·ria, Cambori SC, at 0508 UT. Fair signal.

9818.761, ZYR096, R Nove de Julho, S"o Paulo, SP, R·dio CatÛlica. S=5 -96dB, religious chorus noted at 0505 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

- \*\* BRAZIL. 9586.47v, Super R·dio Deus È Amor, S"o Paulo, 19 May, 0050 ìA Voz da LibertaÁ"oî David Miranda live stadium event, 3 time pips at the top of the hour, IDs for various FM frequencies, religious vocal then more Miranda, poor. //6119.990 S"o Paulo, 11764.730 Curitiba, both fair.
- 73, (Brandon Jordan, Fayette County, TN EM55gc, http://www.swldx.us WinRadio G33DDC, WinRadio G313-e, RFSpace SDR-IQ, Icom R75, Eton E1 DX Engineering NCC-1 Phased Dual Active Verticals Array Solutions AS-SAL-12 Shared Apex Loop Array Solutions AS-SAL-30 Shared Apex Loop dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* BRAZIL. 11750 & 11810, May 18 at 0545, big dirty parasitic spurs of extremely distorted music obviously // and emanating from 11780 RNA transmitter which itself is slightly overmodulated. Also can hear a JBA second-order one another 30 kHz up at 11840, but not at 11720.
- \*\* BRAZIL. 11750 & 11810, May 19 at 0546, distorted parasitic spurs from 11780 RNA are still here 24 hours later than first heard, but much weaker; that's progress.

11720, 11750, 11810, 11840, May 20 at 0551, RNA 11780 transmitter is

- still putting out distorted spurs at plus and minus 30 and 60 kHz, much stronger on the closer ones, and 11780 itself is increasingly distorted.
- 11750 & 11810, May 21 at 0530, distorted spurblobs from RNA are now just barely audible, but enough to match // 11780. This on the FRG-7 main receiver; earlier on the PL-880 upon the porch with reel-out antenna, at 0101 I could not hear the spurs tho the fundamental was very strong (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* BRAZIL. 11925v, May 18 at 0127, ``Minute Waltz`` is playing with het; // 9645v with no het, so surely R. Bandeirantes (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- 11925, R. BANDEIRANTES, 21/05 0111 UT. M'sica del recuerdo en inglÈs y francÈs. i.e.: Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Edith Piaf et al., en el programa `Chansons D'Amour`. A las 0019 ID de la emisora y avisos comerciales. SINPO: 53433 con una leve presencia de VOA Radio Ashna en su servicio en Dari, cono heterodino (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: hilo 30 metros, QTH: Ovalle centro, IV regiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)
- \*\* BRAZIL [and non]. There's a Facebook group called "I Take Pictures of Transmitter Sites" that is definitely worth joining for more photos, including many from Brazil. It's not only interesting to see the photos, it's also very educational. Many broadcast engineers in the group add background information. ñ (Bruce Conti, \*B.A.Conti Photography\* http://www.baconti.com \*°BAMLog!\* http://www.bamlog.com mwmasts yg via DXLD)
- \*\* BULGARIA [and non]. Co-channel between unID in Farsi and Brother Stair in English:
- 1222-1225 11600 SOF 050 kW / 030 deg EaEu. Video from today, May 19: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t99mry0YbXI&feature=youtu.be
- At 1235 Brother Stair is off on 11600 and also no signal from 1305 on 9400 (DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via DXLD)
- \*\* CAMBODIA [non]. CLANDESTINE, 17860, V. of Khmer C'Mchas Srok, May 15 1150-1159\*, 35333, Cambodian, Talk, URL and mail address announce at 1158, Music, 1159 sign off (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* CAMEROON [non]. CLANDESTINE [non]. 15315, V. of Gospel, May 15 \*1830-1837, 25332, Fulfulde, 1830 sign on with IS, ID, Opening

announce, Drums, Talk (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CANADA [and non]. 1610, May 20 at 0558 UT, again no IBOC from 1600 KATZ St. Louis to block: ``CHHA, Radio Voces Latinas, 1610-AM`` ID; 0559 plug for ``su noticiero Panorama, de lunes a viernes``, promo some 21 de mayo event in Toronto.

And no IBOC either from KEPN Lakewood CO at a right angle to block Anguilla. Holding breath/crossing fingers that both be gone for good, but one is often ultimately disappointed in such cases (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CANADA [non]. GERMANY(non) Additional Bible Voice Broadcasting: 1530-1600 on 17515 ISS 100 kW / 135 deg to EaAf Oromo Fri 1600-1630 on 17515 ISS 100 kW / 135 deg to EaAf Amharic Fri and then as scheduled 1630-1730 on 17515 ISS 100 kW / 135 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Fri 1730-1900 on 17515 ISS 100 kW / 135 deg to EaAf Amharic Fri http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/additional-broadcasts-of-bible-voice.html

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 17, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC [non]. U.K. Transmissions of Radio Ndeke Luka in Sango are cancelled: 1700-1730 on 17500 WOF 250 kW / 152 deg to CeAf, deleted from HFCC database (Ivo Ivanov, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

Video from May 17, empty channel

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kqhtwOGaS0o&feature=youtu.be Video from April 30 on various clandestine stations, including R. Ndeke Luka

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yq8l1VKDMvc

(DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via DXLD)

\*\* CHAD [and non]. 6165, 14/5 1940, R. Tchad - N'Djamena FF NX suff (Roberto Pavanello, Vercelli / Italia, bclnews.it yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

Chad had not been heard for many months. Lots of other stations use 6165, but per HFCC and EiBi, no other during this particular hour. Aoki also shows Zambia, but Bill Bingham says that's been inactive too and of course would not be in French. Time to check all hours between 0425 and 2230 for Chad on its previous schedule (Sat and Sun to 2300: and the 0730-1030 period only on weekends). Also check before 0100 Habana, and on occasion when Habana is missing in the 01-07 period, as

Chad also was running all night at times before its last disappearance (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Presumed Cuba heard at around 0230, definitely not Chad this is usually a good time of day (or rather, night) for me to hear Chad during its 24h phases.

Cuba -- Radio Habana -- 6165 La Habana -- May 21, 2014 Wednesday. 0228-0245. Cuban music followed by what sounded like news in English; very definitely English. At 0238 a snippet of Morse-code but I couldn't make out the context; At 0239 id sounding very like iRadio Habana Cubaî, then into talk. More brief Morse code at 0243. Very poor, almost unreadable. Lots of lightning QRN, not local to me. But certainly not Chad at this time. Jo'burg sunrise 0442.

Chad (not). Radio Tchad. 6165 N'Djamena. May 21, 2014 Wednesday. 1900-1910. Nothing heard, clear channel in this region at this time. Jo'burg sunset 1527 (Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA. Sony ICF2001D. dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST).

6165 totally empty 19-20 UT, in Europe and Australia posts. 73 wb (Wolfgang B schel, dxld yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

No sign of Chad at my Johannesburg location, 1755 to 1826 on May 21. Should be audible by now if it is on air.

China. China Radio International, 6165 Beijing-Matoucun (EiBi). May 21, 2014 Wednesday. 1755-1757\* Chinese language lesson. Good. To Iran (EiBi). Jo'burg sunset 1527.

United Arab Emirates -- BBC WS -- 6165 Dhabbaya -- May 21, 2014 Wednesday. \*1800-1817. Language not recognised, but sounded somewhat Arabic, possibly Dari as listed by EiBi? No id heard, but Aoki and EiBi say this is the BBC to Afghanistan. The music sounded distinctly Indian classical, not sure how that fits. Fair until 1809 when obscured by massive pulsing interference, almost like a SAH but not of regular frequency. Unlikely to be jamming because it cleared up as quickly as it came at 1819, so presumably interference local to me. Jo'burg sunset 1527 (Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA. Sony ICF2001D. dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CHINA [and non]. 12370, CNR1 May 12, 1130. Long talk by M in Chinese. No other //s found for CNR or Firedrakes. VG.

14600, CNR1, May 13, 1130. W in Chinese. VG

14900, CNR1 May 14, 1140. M in Chinese. VG. Heard with VG // on 16100. Didn't hear any other CNR //s, nor any crash-boom-bang opera music.

17485, CNR 1, May 15, 1030. Long monologue with W in Chinese, and in huge collision with another unID station in Chinese. There is a listing here for VoA in CHinese at this hour, so that is likely one of the stations and the target. Found excellent // on 17550. Also 16100 (excellent), 14900 (excellent) (Rick Barton, El Mirage, Arizona, with Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, Hammarlund HQ-180A, slinky and random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CNR1 or Firedrake jammer search, May 15 at 1235-1240 finds none 12-19 MHz except:

18980, May 15 at 1242, CNR1 jammer, poor mixing with RFA Tibetan via KUWAIT, which is the Thursday (& Monday) 12-13 frequency for this per Aoki.

19000 has replaced 18980, May 15 at 1323 and 1356 chex, CCI between RFA and CNR1. 19000 is the Thursday-only frequency at 13-14.

More CNR1 jammers found May 15 before 1330: 17480, May 15 at 1324, CNR1 jammer, fair-good, echo apart from 19000 17300, May 15 at 1324, CNR1 jammer, very good; none in the 16s, but the usual inbanders on 15115, 15195, 15265 14920, May 15 at 1327, CNR1 jammer, poor 13830, May 15 at 1327, CNR1 jammer, poor with SAH 13795, May 15 at 1327, CNR1 jammer, poor with SAH, CCI; none in 12s (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

14900, CNR 1, May 16, 0910. Two M in dialogue in Chinese and VG. //s heard 16060 (fair), 16100 (good), 16360 (fair), 16750 (good).

17485, CNR 1, May 16, 0910, W in Chinese and over unID. VG.

16100, CNR 1, May 16, 1045, W in Chinese and excellent. Excellent // 11910 (Rick Barton, El Mirage, Arizona, with Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, Hammarlund HQ-180A, slinky and random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CNR1 jammers morning of May 16:

18870, May 16 at 1243, CNR1 jammer, good-very good and // 11785. Aoki shows 18870 as a 100-watt Sound of Hope, Taiwan relay of RFA at 00-14 16100, May 16 at 1250, CNR1 jammer, good until 1300\* timesignal 14980, May 16 at 1253, CNR1 jammer, very poor; none in 17s 13880, May 16 at 1256, JBA signal, not certain if // 13830, May 16 at 1256, CNR1 jammer, very poor; none in the 12s 18990, 18980: see TIBET [non]

16100, May 16 at 1347, CNR1 jammer, now JBA and no others found in the

12s, 13s, 14s or 15s.

CNR1 jammer at unusual time: 17790, May 17 at 0609, CNR1 jammer, poor; victim is RFA Chinese via Saipan during this hour only, per Aoki

12910, May 17 at 1233, CNR1 jammer, fair, with ``CJKT/ZRGD`` ID; none in the 10s, 13s, 14s, 16s, 17s, 18s (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also TIBET [non]

9805, Firedrake music, May 17, 2330. VG (Rick Barton, Big Horn Mountain BLM Wilderness (western Arizona), Grundig Satellit 750 and 50' wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17855, May 18 at 0539, very poor signal in Chinese, another E.T. transmission to go with CRI German on 17820? No, HFCC shows 05-06, CRI English, 500 kW, 288 degrees from Beijing site. BUT that's a false lead since in Aoki we find what else is there: RFA Chinese at 03-06, 100 kW, 310 degrees from SAIPAN and thus \*jammed, likely the latter we are hearing (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17300, CNR1 May 18, 1030. W in Chinese in interview with M. VG // 13430 (excellent). No other CNR out of bands or Firedrakes found (Rick Barton, Big Horn Mountain BLM Wilderness (western Arizona), Grundig Satellit 750 and 50' wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17735, May 18 at 1306, CNR1 jammer during pop music show, good // 11785. This one is vs BBC Uzbek via Thailand at 1300-1330 only.

19010, May 18 at \*1308 very good open carrier comes on, 1308:45 adding CNR1 modulation. At 1307 I had been unable to hear any RFA Tibetan via Kuwait on 19010 or any other frequency on this band, but the ChiCom must have found it. Per Aoki, 19010 is its Sunday-only frequency at 11-12 & 13-14. CNR1 jammer 19010 still in well at 1336.

17300, May 18 at 1336, CNR1 jammer, good with Chinese pop music show 16920, May 18 at 1336, CNR1 jammer, good 15565, May 18 at 1354, CNR1 jammer, poor, no hets audible 15265, 15195, 15115, May 18 at 1337, usual CNR1 jammers, vs targets 14600, May 18 at 1339, CNR1 jammer, good with C-pop; none in 13s, 12s 11805 & 11785, May 18 at 1340, usual CNR1 jammers, vs targets (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

16100, UNKNOWN unID, May 19, 1130. Strong open carrier here and still on during subsequent rechecks between BoH and 1200. Good with chop (Rick Barton, El Mirage, Arizona, with Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, Hammarlund HQ-180A, slinky and random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CNR1 jamming morning of May 19; no Firedrake heard: 18930, May 19 at 1321, CNR1 jammer, JBA vs RFA Tibetan via Kuwait 18870, May 19 at 1321, CNR1 jammer, fair-good // 18930, vs RFA via SOH 17480, May 19 at 1322, CNR1 jammer, poor, not synch with 18870; no 19s 17170, May 19 at 1323, CNR1 jammer, fair-good // 18870 16100, May 19 at 1324, CNR1 jammer, poor 15265, 15195, 15115, May 19 at 1325, usual CNR1 jammers; no 14s, 13s, 12s.

CNR1 jammers, morning of May 20:
15555, May 20 at 1234, CNR1 jammer, very poor, het+, // 18990
16100, May 20 at 1231, CNR1 jammer, poor
17480, May 20 at 1328, CNR1 jammer, poor-fair with ID. New frequency
not in Aoki, nor any target listed at this time. However, EiBi shows
Cairo in English to SE Asia until 1330, possible victim? Normally on
17870, so 17480 an alternate?
18870, May 20 at 1320, CNR1 jammer, poor; none higher yet
18980, May 20 at 1325, CNR1 jammer, fair, vs unheard RFA Tibetan via
Kuwait's Tuesday & Friday frequency during this hour
18990, May 20 at 1233, CNR1 jammer, good with CJKT, 'Chung-kuo Chisheng' IDs, here to block inaudible RFA Tibetan via Kuwait on its Tue
& Fri jump-channel during this hour only. No others 16-20 MHz

17700, Wednesday May 21 at 0114, very poor signal with flutter, seems Chinese, probably CNR1, but not usually audible here. Aoki shows 01-02 UT for 17700 from RFA in Tibetan via Tinian, but only on Sundays, so maybe that schedule has changed. There is also a JBA signal on 17495, which Aoki shows as CRI Amoy via Beijing site.

21690, May 21 at 0545, poor signal in Chinese, presumably CNR1 jammer vs RFA Chinese via Tinian, but could really be its target, as we are now within a month of Solstice with midnight-sun propagation in the middle of the ``night``. 21725 R. Australia also JBA // 15300. 21690 is also in Aoki at 0600-0700 for jamming and RFA Tibetan via UAE.

18990, May 21 at 1334, CNR1 jammer with good signal, no CCI but this is the Wednesday (and Saturday) 13-14 UT frequency for RFA Tibetan via KUWAIT, inaudible. Before 1300 I could also tell there was something on 19000, the Wed & Sat frequency for that hour (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17495, Firedrake, 0313, May 21; fair against RFA (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17510, CHINESE FIREDRAKE JAMMER, 21/05 0620 UT. Contra RFA-4 en tibetano, la que no se escucha. El Firedrake tiene un SINPO: 45343 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: hilo 30 metros, QTH: Ovalle

centro, IV regiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

\*\* CHINA. 5860, Voice of Jinling, May 17, 1300. Vocal music just before the hour to W in Chinese. Fair/good (Rick Barton, El Mirage, Arizona, with Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, Hammarlund HQ-180A, slinky and random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CHINA. 5985.000, 5980 to 5990 kHz wide typical Chinese scratchy digital jamming, in 18-19 UT slot, but CRI Beijing on air at different times of the day; jamming parked here against NOTHING? (Wolfgang B\_schel, logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk`s SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

New unregistered frequency of China Radio International in Russian: 1800-1857 9560 BJI 150 kW / 288 deg CeAs, ex 9470. Video from May 16 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LEUvoU-OEnU&feature=youtu.be (DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via DXLD)

\*\* COLOMBIA. CQ, CQ, CQ --- AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

6010.00 COLOMBIA, La Voz de tu Conciencia, Bogot·; 13/05 2310-2335, 44444, m˙sica, ID "Contigo La Voz de la Conciencia para el mundo", m˙sica, programa en dialecto.

La recepciÛn la he efectuado en compaÒla de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, ser·n mejor escuchadas con los audlfonos. Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, CHASQUI DX MAYO 2014, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CUBA. Regarding your inquiry as to whether 1620 Rebelde is always carrying the FM service, it's not. If there's a pattern as to when they feed the FM I've yet to figure that out. I'd guess about 25-40% of the time it's FM. There are also times I hear the FM service on 1180, but not on the one or two strongest transmitters at my proximity, rather on occasion one or two of the weaker ones underneath (Terry Krueger, FL, May 19, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CUBA. Bejucal - Remnants --- Latest recent GE imagery of the Cuban (Russian built) Bejucal SW TX site clearly shows badly dilapidated transmitter building. Perhaps 'remnants of building' may be a better description. One wonders when this site was last on air on SW (Ian Baxter, NSW, May 21, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

CUBA: More observations about Bejucal - ANNONOMOUS [sic] CONTRIBUTION:

I have always suspected that Bejucal - at least partly - might have been built as an \*underground\* complex (which would fit the Cold War times in which it was built, as well as hurricane protection, though perhaps not planned as such), so that the actual condition is not visible.

Frankly, to me the buildings above the ground have never quite looked like transmitter buildings (but more like storages / repair works), especially they don't resemble the Soviet design that one should expect here. Though of course we also don't know how it may have looked decades ago, perhaps some key buildings were destroyed by hurricanes?

There is a suspicious area around 22 52 12.58 n 82 19 51.48 w which I could well imagine as the entrance area to the bunker system (it seems to have frequent car shuttle there). It is notable that there are a lot of concrete feeder supports in this region while there are practically none visible towards the buildings in the north.

Note the structure at 22 52 12.27 n 82 19 52.54 w in the 8 Jan 2013 imagine that seems to be connected with a dual wire (electricity?) from the north, and actually was newly built between 2010 and 2012.

I also could imagine that it is Bejucal that has been used as a jamming site for quite a while (the antenna beams appear to be quite handy, I think), and perhaps this is what it is still used for(?), of course jamming equipment does not need to be in such a good shape.
\_\_\_\_\_END CONTRIBUTION (shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

\*\* CUBA. 5025, R Rebelde, Sp, nx at 0400 UT, and also 5040, RHC Sp, both S=9+15dB -56dBm strength.

6000, RHC En at 0355 UT, Ed Newman host, S=9+25 -48dBm.
6060, RHC Sp at 0428 UT, S=9+20dB -52dBm, some hum buzz of co-ch SRDA Brazil

6100, RHC En at 0510 UT, S=9+25dB -49dBm

6165, RHC En at 0440 UT, S=9+40dB -35dBm strongest signal. (Wolfgang B<sub>s</sub>schel, log of this May 15 morning, noted at 0355 til 0510 UT slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6165, May 16 at 0101, no signal yet from RHC English, tho it`s started on 6000; by 0106 recheck, 6165 has come on.

12010, May 16 at 1220, RHC modulation is breaking up but more or less readable.

6000, May 17 at 0101, no signal from RHC, as another ragged start to the 6-hour English broadcast; while // 6165 is on but dead air until modulation comes up at 0105.

6000 is on at 0102 in English --- but it's CRI by mistake! // tho out of synch with 6020 Albania; as I am checking 9580 to match CRI/Cuba, 6000 switches to RHC English at 0103.

Also, the 6270 leapfrog bears poor but readable Spanish audio at 0102 already, 6060 having saulted over the 6165 carrier, another 105 kHz higher.

15400, May 19 at 1309, RHC with poor but readable signal on the leapfrog spur of 15340 over 15370, both very strong; matching one on 15310 JBA. Also // 15230 is undermodulated as usual.

5990, May 21 at 0109, CRI English relay via Habana is playing on wrong frequency, still at 0120 and 0130 rechex! This frequency normally closes just before 0100 after Spanish, but it's not been unusual to hear a few minutes of English before cutoff. // 9580 and synchronized.

Not coincidentally, RHC's own English frequency 6000 is missing all this time, so apparently same transmitter they forgot to switch over. RHC English is going on 6165 at 0109 check, probably earlier.

6000, no further chex until 0553 when this frequency is now on but with dead air; was it so all evening? English nominal on overkill 5040, 6060, 6100, 6165 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CUBA [non]. 7210-LSB, May 16 at 1152, first check in a long time for anti-Castro exile Nelson Roig, N1NR, in Pennsylvania, and there he is on his favorite morning frequency, about traveling to Cuba, and apparently axually contacting dentroCubans such as CO8AP at 1153, but with JBA signal. I suspect N1NR is holding forth here just about every morning (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CYPRUS. 9958-9973, May 18 at 0101, OTH radar pulsing, presumed from here, quite strong, and no 9965 Cairo to impede it; 9955 WRMI strong enough not to be bothered.

15804-15827, May 18 at 0540, OTH radar pulsing, presumed from here.

19678-19702, May 16 at 1351 UT, OTH radar pulsing, presumed from here, poor signal, but hardly anything else audible on 19 MHz band (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* DIEGO GARCIA. 12759-USB, May 17 at 0119, JBA music, a sure sign of

AFN; first trace of it since April 5 & 8 logs as in DXLD 14-15 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* EAST TURKISTAN [non-log]. 4850, PBS Xinjiang. May 19 finally noticed PBS was gone from here; had not noticed it earlier due to many days of OTH radar blocking reception; per Hiroshi the change happened May 13. Find 4980 and 5060 also silent now. Their normal seasonal changes. So if AIR Kohima ever broadcasts on 4850 again, they will now be in the clear (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* EAST TURKISTAN. 17820, May 18 at 0538, in German about China, and Chinese music, poor with flutter; it`s CRI via Urumqi at 05-07, 500 kW, 308 degrees (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* ECUADOR. CQ, CQ, CQ --- AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

6050.00, R. HCJB, Quito; 29/04 2306-2332, 55555, ID "A travÈs de HCJB", programa Segmento de noticia, news, ID "Imagina un mundo de amigos y queriendo escuchar HCJBÖ" (escuchar grabaciÛn). Programa Alegre Atardecer, m'sica moderna en espaòol, m'sica, programa en Shuar, "Estimados oyentes, a partir de estos momentos iniciamos la programaciÛn para la regiÛn Shuar" (Los Shuar son grupo etnia del Ecuador y Per'; en Ecuador se encuentran ubicados en las provincias de: Napo, Pastaza, Morona Santiago, Zamora, Chinchipe, SucumbÌos, Orellana y en la Costa: provincias de Esmeraldas en el cantÛn QuinindÈ y Guayas. Son el pueblo amazÛnico m·s numeroso, aproximadamente de 110.000 individuos).

Entre los diexistas de la guardia vieja, quien no gozÛ en los 3279.5 kHz con Radio La Voz del Napo desde Tena, quienes tenÌan una programaciÛn exclusiva para ellos.

La recepciÛn la he efectuado en compaÒla de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, ser·n mejor escuchadas con los audlfonos. Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, CHASQUI DX MAYO 2014, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6050, HCJB La Voz de los Andes, unID language and Spanish, nice Latin American music, at 0426 UT, S=8 or -80dBm signal into Alberta-CANADA (Wolfgang B<sub>s</sub>schel, log of this May 15 morning, noted at 0355 til 0510 UT slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* EGYPT. 9315, R Cairo, English YL talks (News?) and lively music

- bumpers. This was in English, but the Cairo Mumblemouth Syndrome was even worse than this afternoon. 4544+1+. 0247-0252, 10/May
- 9965, R Cairo, English YL announcer with s/on and ID, into Egyptian music, then reading of the Koran. The usual overmodulation & grinding hummy noiseblob that Iím going to call the Cairo Mumblemouth Syndrome. 44+4+1+ (which is actually better than things have been recently!) 2300-2325 9/May
- 9965, R. Cairo, English with barely intelligible English talk by YL, but clearly them with the Cairo Mumblemouth Syndrome. This is listed as Arabic in Aoki & EiBi; a mistake or an additional English broadcast? 4444+2, 0350-0400 10/May
- 9965, R Cairo, English with time pips ending at 2315:15 (!) & iGood Morning Ladies & Gentlemenî, ID into news read by YL. Head & shoulders better than yesterday, I could actually make out every 3-4 words and could ALMOST get the gist of things. 45452+ 2313-2323 10/May
- 9965, R Cairo, English, Cairo Mumblemouth about the same as yesterday and worse during voice so I had to strain to really verify this was still English--apparently they have an additional release of their English programme that Aoki & EiBi donít list. Weekends only? 4+4+54+2 0340-0345 11/May (Kenneth Vito Zichi, Port Hope MI, MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)
- 9965, Radio Cairo; 2307, 10-May; W in English with nature feature; pips & tone at 2315:15 into anthem. 2315+ "Good morning ladies & gentlemen... Radio Cairo." (Apparently they're on FCT, Flexible Cairo Time.) SIO=4+33 w/strong hum, but decent copy! (Harold Frodge, Port Hope MI, ibid.)
- 9965, Radio Cairo, Abu Za`bal, 2316 9-May. Heard music followed by YL English. This station has a strong carrier, but the audio emanating from R. Cairo is severely undermodulated and mixed in with a constant and annoying high pitched hum. This station is very unpleasant to listen to. I am being overly kind in my critique (Gary Vance, Port Hope MI DXpedition, ibid.)
- Hello DXers, Starting 00:00 hours on 16/5/2014 Egypt switched to DST (UT +3). It will be not active during the month of Ramadan starting around 29/6/2014; during Ramadan it will be GMT +2. All the best (Tarek Zeidan, Sent from my iPad, May 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) And then resuming a lunar month later? (gh, DXLD)
- 11710, May 17 at 0113, \*no\* signal from Cairo to het Argentina [q.v.]; then I check other Cairo frequencies: 12070, 9965, 9315, and they are ALL off! Big problem at the sites? Still nothing at 0128 recheck.

Egypt just started DST of UT+3 on May 16 (more light for evening demonstrations?) but only until Ramadan \*June 29 (maybe will resume a lunar month later when there will still be plenty of summer?). This could have confused studios and transmitter operators, but some frequencies should still be on air even if programming one real hour earlier by mistake (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

16 May checked for R Cairo, and found programming at normal times and so unaffected by change to DST. i.e.: French on 9410 at 2015 UT tune-in and (re-checking later) off around 2110 UT. English signing-on at 2115 UT on 9895 kHz. Both transmissions suffering from usual atrocious audio. At around 2125 was a short feature called (I think) "Guess the Answer", but intelligibility was so poor that perhaps "Guess the Question" would have been more appropriate. It's such a shame - R Cairo has a great range of programmes, but it's just impossible to follow them (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11710, 12070, 9965, 9315, May 18 at 0101, once again tonite, all four R. Cairo frequencies are absent like 24 hours ago. In the meantime, or anytime since, has anyone heard any other Cairo broadcasts?

After missing the past two nights, R. Cairo is back in business UT May 19 at 0112 in Spanish with no improvements: 12070, very distorted; 11710v, less distorted but still useless; 9315 undermodulated, at first thought no modulation, but just a long pause. Also back on 9965 with Arabic service humwhine and music.

13850, May 19 at 0543 is also on with distorted Arabic toward North America, poor with flutter (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13850.069 R Cairo Arabic, to NoAM/EUR at 02-07 UT, noted at 0525 UT May 19 on totally distorted audio signal, covered spurious signals on range 13800 to 13894 kHz. S=8 or -80dBm in Canada, Egyptian music style of 60ties of past century. S=9+25dB -50dBm in Moscow Russia and in Germany. Cairo noted in Italy remote rx unit on 13750 to 13950 kHz wide range !!!!!!!! 73 wb (Wolfgang B\_schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 19, harmonics yg via DXLD)

9315, May 20 at 0121, R. Cairo open carrier/dead air, then just barely modulated, presumed Spanish. Other Spanish on 12070, awful distortion with hum; 11710v distorted but mostly readable, over het from Argentina. 9965 is very strong in Arabic (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CHINA: 17480

\*\* ERITREA [non]. Radio Erena, Radio Erythrèe Internationale in Tigrinya language from studio in Paris, and transmitter in Bulgarie,

1700-1730 UT on 11560 kHz:

http://www.lemonde.fr/afrique/article/2012/09/13/radio-erena-la-voix-libre-que-lerythree-veut-baillonner\_1759405\_3212.html

 $\verb|http://www.liberation.fr/monde/2012/09/03/erythree-radio-erena-bec-et-ondes_843532|$ 

http://www.erena.org/ radioerena @ gmail.com

73s (Christian Ghibaudo, France, May 19, playdx yg via DXLD)

\*\* ETHIOPIA. 5950.000, HoA music, 1809 UT May 16, S=9+10dB -66dBm.

6030.000, ETH, May 15 and 16 [see below]

6089.855, May 15 UNID poor signal in Queensland. 6089.860, Amhara station from Gedja Jawe heard at 1813 UT May 16. S=6 at -93dBm level, also HoA mx.

6109.988, Radio Fana on May 15. 6110.000, Radio Fana, good S=9+15dB or -62dBm signal level, heard in remote SDR unit in eastern Thailand.

btw. one of the Gedja Jawe transmitters in Ethiopia is always odd on lower side, noted previous days on 6030v kHz, but today on May 15 on varying 6109.988, kHz instead. And on May 16 on 6110.000 even again

7236v, ETH tonight not anymore on air at this hour 1828 UT May 15, but heard May 16 on 7237.548 kHz at 1740 UT, and 7237.430 down at 1822 UT, wandered up again to 7237.546 kHz at 1827 UT.

(Wolfgang B<sub>s</sub>schel, some Africalogs of today May 15, some footprints, noted and measured at 1800-1830 UT, logged on remote downunder remote unit in Queensland, AUSTRALIA, signals propagate from Africa across the Indian Ocean during night hours. On May 16 monitored some logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk's SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* EUROPE. 13910-LSB, 16/05 2000-, Baltic Sea Radio, Finnish Pirate, IDs, test, balticseapirate @ gmail.com suff/good (Artur Fern·ndez L., Catalonia, RX = ATS 909 Sangean, PLAY DX ELECTRONIC 18 MAY via DXLD)

\*\* FRANCE. > 1100-1130 17630 ISS 500 kW 300 deg to North America

Checked this EU election propaganda special of 30 minutes duration outlet today May 21, all in French language.

9790 at 1103 UT started late, here in central EUR and Moscow at S=9+10dB or -62dBm level, signal not as strong as expected before.

15300 here in nearby Germany, some less 600 kilometers on < 1st skip zone, as usual fair S=8 or -84dBm. Despite S=7 backlobe in NY/NJ USA

only.

But in Poland, Sweden, and Moscow Russia remote SDR posts at S=9+25dB or -50dBm on more or less sidelobe signals.

17630 in Germany and Poland only S=7 or -86dBm. S=9+20dB or -54dBm in Sweden and Moscow units, at sidelobe. S=9+15dB or -58dBm surprisingly in NY/NJ-USA at the 300 degrees azimuth signal. S=7 or -90dBm on remote unit at Alberta- western CAN.

21690 in Germany and Poland only S=8 or -79dBm strength, S=9+5dB or -70dBm in Moscow Russia, S=8 or -79 dBm in NY7NJ-USA remote SDR post. vy73 de Wolfy df5sx (Wolfgang B schel, May 21, dxldyg via DXLD)

This had one more day to run, May 22 (gh, DXLD)

\*\* FRANCE [non]. Echo de l'Europe (in French) from this Tuesday (May 20th) every Tuesdays and Fridays from Nauen, Germany, 1830-1845 UT on 7315 kHz. New frequency. Online report form: http://echoofeurope.eu/reception-reports/73s (Christian Ghibaudo, France, May 19, playdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

\*\* FRANCE [non]. 7315, Radio Echo of Europe. I am writing to inform you that the European information radio Echo of Europe (EOE) will start its shortwave broadcasts as of Tuesday, May 20, 2014. We broadcast in French to Europe on 7315 kHz from the transmitter Nauen center in Germany (Media Broadcast) Tuesday and Friday from 1830 to 1845 UT.

Frequency: 7315 kHz Time: 1830-1845 UT Location: Nauen Language: French

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TopNews May 17 via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

Frequency: 7315 kHz, Time: ab Dienstags 20. Mai und Freitags um 1830-1845 UT, Location: MBR Nauen, Language: French.

Huch ist das Image von dem Minisenderchen 1368 kHz aus Verona so putzig, ... eine schoene Hobby Aktivitaet ohne holl. Blasmusik. Man ist ja so genuegsam geworden.

<http://echoofeurope.eu/frequences/>
<http://echoofeurope.eu/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/xEGR-AM-1368-10kW-coverageoptimal.jpg.pagespeed.ic\_.8ddJqhfRcs-300x222.jpg>

Ist diese Aktion EU bezahlt? Kennt jemand diesen Bruessel Sender ?
Ich finde kein Impressum auf den Seiten.
<http://echoofeurope.eu/2014/01/30/getting-a-grip-on-rising-energy-prices-and-costs-2/>

Ja, meine Stromrechung hat sich trotz 1000 kWh Reduktion jaehrlich seit 2004 verdoppelt. (wb.)

<http://echoofeurope.eu/category/news/>

IE tut, aber mein Firefox ohne Scripts startet nicht. Sollen diese 2 x 15 Minuten Kurzwellenaussendung die EU Wahlen unterstuetzen ?

Mit dem Podcast kann ich nichts anfangen. <http://echoofeurope.eu/2014/02/22/broadcast-22-february-2014/> 73 wb df5sx

<http://echoofeurope.eu/reception-reports/>
<http://echoofeurope.eu/frequences/>

"On the web: Programs Echo of Europe are also available on \*our\* website at the address: <a href="http://bretagne5.fr">http://bretagne5.fr</a> ..."
(Roger Roger-D, A-DX May 18)

Re: 7315 Radio Echo of Europe.

Die sendeten doch schon mal Ende 2012 / anfangs 2013 (testweise?) und verschwanden sehr rasch wieder im Radio-Nirwana. Brachten damals (wenig interessante) Kurznachrichten in Englisch und Franzoesisch, betreffend die EU-Administration. Damals via IRRS, auf einer KW-Frequenz und der MW 1368 kHz (auf der sie damals hier in Tirol gut reinkamen).

Auf einen RR direkt an die "Station" kam zunaechst eine freundliche eMail, in der vollmundig eine "zeitnahe" QSL-Karte angekuendigt wurde, die aber leider bis heute nie kam, auch nicht nach 3 Anfragen; obwohl der RR nach strengsten EU-Richtlinien abgefasst war :-))

Ich glaube nicht, dass der Programminhalt (sollte er sich aehnlich wie damals praesentieren) dazu geeignet ist, die EU-Wahl zu unterstuetzen. Ziemlich farblos und ohne jegliches Format das Ganze.

Es praesentiert sich auch die homepage eher "sehr nuechtern", wie eben nahezu Alles, was mit EU/Bruessel zu tun hat.

Mich wuerde das Gesuelze nicht vom Hocker reissen und zum Gang zur Urne animieren. Hab meine Stimme eh schon mittels Briefwahl abgegeben. Alles quasi vom Schreibtisch aus, ohne jeglichen Aufwand.

Aber vielleicht sind sie jetzt (aus wahlwerberischen Gruenden) etwas mehr hoererorientiert und freigebiger mit QSLs. Der geneigte Hoerer moege es einfach testen. 73s + EU-skeptische Gruesse aus Tirol, (Wolfgang Gargitter-AUT, A-DX Aug 19) (all via BCDX May 21 via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

\*\* GERMANY. Tests of European Music Radio for the summer conditions: 1500-1600 9485 GOH 001 kW / 230 deg CeEu CUSB English 3rd Sun May 18 1600-1700 7265 GOH 001 kW / 230 deg CeEu CUSB English 3rd Sun May 18 (DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via DXLD)

\*\* GOA. 7249.979, AIR Goa Panaji, Hindi 1615-1730, Malayalam 1730-1829 UT May 16 (Wolfgang B schel, On May 16 monitored some logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk's SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* GREECE. 7475 fair // 9420 very good // 15630 poor, Avlis on all three, May 17 at 0104 with Greek music. An even weaker signal from something else on 15650; see UNID (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This is my reception report for Tuesday and Wednesday, May 20-21, 2014 TUESDAY 5/20 | WEDNESDAY 5/21

- \*\* GUAM. 15240, May 19 at 1313, S Asian language to 1314\* mentioning Adventist, I thought, in contact info, but must not have been, as Aoki shows this is really KTWR, daily in Santhali at 1300-1315 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* GUATEMALA. CQ, CQ, CQ --- AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:
- 4054.98, R. Verdad, Chiquimula; 5/05 0948-1035, 22222, programa religioso Historias BÌblicas para niòos en espaòol (San Mateo 16:01) m'sica religiosa en inglÈs, en forma continua, ID "lo dan en inglÈs"
- La recepciÛn la he efectuado en compaÒla de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, ser·n mejor escuchadas con los audlfonos. Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, CHASQUI DX MAYO 2014, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- 4054.979, R. Verdad, Chiquimula at 0345 UT May 19, religious chorus, S=7 -83dBm in remote unit at USA (Wolfgang B schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* HAITI. 840 | HAITI | R. 4VEH (4VEF), Cap-Haitien, APR 30 0200 Electronic "dashing through the snow" 5-note interval signal, man in French, hymn; over Cuba

(Mark Connelly, South Yarmouth, Cape Cod, MA, USA (GC= 41.6931 N / 70.1912 W) (= 41  $\,$  41.59' N / 70  $\,$  11.47' W)

Receiver: Microtelecom Perseus

## Antennas:

- \* Two cardioid-pattern SuperLoops: 8m by 15m (peak 75 deg., null 255 deg.) and 10m by 11m (peak 165 deg., null 345 deg.). See http://www.bamlog.com/superloop.htm for similar antenna.
- \* Figure-of-8 pattern broadband loop: 6m by 6m (165-345 deg.). See http://www.bamlog.com/broadband.htm for similar antenna, MWCircle yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)
- \*\* HONDURAS. 18135-USB, May 17 at 0615, HR2DMR, Dan, making contest contacts with Japan, Romania, etc., as the band is quite open here in the nightmiddle. Says he is listening 5-up. Here's the page of Dan Mejla R. which still does not show \*where\* in Honduras he may be: http://www.qrz.com/db/hr2dmr (Glenn Hauser, OK DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* INDIA. Indian Parliament results today --- 16 May 2014 is the day on which the votes for Parliament of India is being counted all over

the country. All India Radio will broadcast special bulletins and programs about the results continuously from 0300 to 1130 UT and later which will be relayed by all stations of AIR. Nowadays electronic voting machines are used and hence results are available quickly.

Older listeners will remember that many years back while ballot papers were in use, it used to take several days for the final results and AIR used to broadcast continuously till all the results were out.

More info is available in http://www.newsonair.com/http://www.ddinews.gov.in

Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, Mobile: +91 94416 96043, http://www.gsl.net/vu2jos May 15, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

My local station AIR Hyderabad is today noted on 7410 instead of 7420 kHz from my tune in around 0300 with election news. It may continue till around 1030/1130 UT today due to extended schedules. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, May 15, dx\_india yg via DXLD)

Yesterday 16 May 2014 AIR Hyderabad was on 7410 instead of normal 7420 at 0230-a around 1105 UT. Today they are noted back on 7420. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, May 17, ibid.)

- \*\* INDIA. AIR Kohima 4850: see EAST TURKISTAN [WORLD OF RADIO 1722]
- \*\* INDIA. Unscheduled broadcast of AIR probably Uttarakhand program in Hindim 1430-1915 on 6030 DEL 250 kW / 102 deg to SoAs. Three videos from May 20:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RAptVaEqQUY&feature=youtu.be https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2AFv0VPrMTo&feature=youtu.be

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BUUpzJFJ454&feature=youtu.be

http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/unscheduled-broadcast-of-air-probably.html

- -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)
- \*\* INDIA. 13710, May 15 at 1328, pop music rather than AIR IS, 1329 presumably closing Tibetan service which is not supposed to be on this frequency, 1330 opening AIR GOS in English; fair signal but not enough for easy copy of the news which followed.

[and non]. 13695, May 16 at 1226, good signal with flutter, but just barely modulated, or is it CCI beneath an open carrier? then some S Asian vocal music past 1231, but off at 1255 check. HFCC shows AIR Bengaluru at 1100-1245 in Tamil & Telugu, but also RFI Issoudun at 12-

13 in French.

11620, May 17 at 0112, S Asian songs, in AIR Urdu service, still/again here; Bruce Fisher in New York had found it apparently on 11650 instead, May 14 at 0025.

11985, May 17 at 0115, AIR Sinhala service from Delhi/Khampur, fair signal with big hum, program modulation over; earlier heard same music on 11740 GOA.

11985, May 20 at 0115, AIR carrier following Sinhala service is still on with nothing but hum (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13710, AIR, Bengaluru, 18 May, 1405 - English service, commentary of India foreign policy. Dominant over co-channel CRI English via Kashi.

13605 DRM, AIR, Bangalore, 19 May, 2318 - 16+ dB SNR allowing 100% audio decode, long sitar instrumental, GOS English with Faithfully Yours program at 2330. Audio drop-outs beginning at 2340. My best AIR DRM reception to date.

- + 21 May 2330 AIR GOS English, audio drama on Andaman and Nicobar Islands, very anti-colonial. Perfect decode and very enjoyable. ID and news at top of the hour, commentary. Best AIR DRM reception ever. 73, (Brandon Jordan, Fayette County, TN EM55gc, http://www.swldx.us WinRadio G33DDC, WinRadio G313-e, RFSpace SDR-IQ, Icom R75, Eton E1 DX Engineering NCC-1 Phased Dual Active Verticals Array Solutions AS-SAL-12 Shared Apex Loop Array Solutions AS-SAL-30 Shared Apex Loop dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* INDONESIA. 9525.88, Voice of Indonesia. For a long time now I believed there was a third edition of iExotic Indonesia,î different from Tuesday's "100.9 Paradise FM, RRI Denpasar" (1000-1100) and "RRI Banjarmasin" (1300-1400) shows; May 15 (Thursday) finally confirmed several clear IDs at 1000 for iExotic Indonesia,î but unable to make out the location (was not Denpasar or Banjarmasin); usual "Exotic Indonesia" format with considerable chatting between Jakarta and the other location (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST) But where?
- \*\* IRAN. 17595, IRIB Teheran via Kamalabad bcast center in Albanian at 0620-0720 UT noted also producing an annoying wideband terrible spur signal but on LOWER side only, from 17582 17595 kHz, S=9+35dB or 42dBm strength (Wolfgang B schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 19, harmonics yg via DXLD)

21470, May 16 at 1249, poor signal in Chinese, but not // CNR1

jammers; off at 1252 check. Aoki shows it`s VIRI in Chinese, 1150-1250, 500 kW, 76 degrees from Sirjan. Surprised to hear anything but BBC on this frequency, but it`s not on until 1400 (Sat 1300) in Somali via UAE now, no English. Spain, Saudi, even Kuwait 13m signals have been very poor lately (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* IRAN [non]. GERMANY(non), Upcoming frequency change of Sedaye Radio-ye Mehr Iran, probably from May 19, not from May 9 as scheduled in MBR/HFCC database:

1630-1700 NF 15670 ISS 500 kW / 091 deg WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri, ex 15680 Video from May 16 on old 15680 plus China Radio International in French

http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/upcoming-frequency-change-of-sedaye.html -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 17, dxldyg via DXLD)

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=11ZkTZuXbrk&feature=youtu.be (DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

\*\* IRELAND [and non]. RTE long wave on 252 noted off the air. A very weak Algeria in French heard in its absence. 1100 15 May (Brock Whaley, Ireland for DXLD)

Good afternoon, The Droitwich transmitter on 198 kHz is off air with its ongoing maintenance but I note also off is the RTE R 1 Transmitter on 252 kHz. Is this for maintenance or is this a fault? 73's (John Hoad, Sent from my iPad, 1222 UT May 15, BDXC yg via DXLD)

Radio 4 BBC Long Wave back on 198 kHz; RTE Radio 1 252 kHz will be back after essential maintenance at 10-00 am (9-00 GMT) tomorrow. (Rog Parsons (BDXC 782), Hinckley LE10 ONJ, http://anotherviewengland.tripod.com
May 15, ibid.)

The 252 KHz long wave transmitter of RTE Radio 1 noted back on the air at 0950 16 May. It was still off as of 0630 this morning. I have sent emails to three departments of RTE for an explanation, but have yet to get a response. Maybe they are shocked to know that someone is aware of their less than publicized long wave outlet. At least it's not another permanent long wave broadcaster shut down (Brock Whaley, Ireland, for DXLD)

I heard back from RTE. They tell me "There is essential work taking

place on the LW Transmitter for 24 HRS." I am told transmissions would return at 0900 today, 16 May, and as I reported, they have returned to the air (Brock Whaley, Ireland, 1146 UT for DXLD)

- \*\* JAPAN. WVTR and the beginning of the Godzilla story Since we are all [sic] talking about the Godzilla movie: WVTR's Sea Monster By Ernest L Gunerious https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/ABDX/conversations/messages/65478 (via Kevin Redding, ABDX yg via DXLD)
- \*\* JAPAN. 8785-USB, May 16 at 1140, again the Gyogyo station in Japanese, not so good as May 13 and with ACI from another SSB 2 or 3 kHz on the low side. Still waiting for further info on exactly what this is (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* KASHMIR [non]. CLANDESTINE, 4870, V. of Kashmir, May 15 1516-1530\*, 35443, Kashmiri, Talk, ID at 1528, Closing music, 1530 sign off (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* KOREA NORTH. 6135, KRE, Digital scratching noise jamming at 1823 UT May 16 (Wolfgang B schel, some logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk's SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* KOREA NORTH [non]. UZBEKISTAN(non), Frequency change of Voice of Martyrs from May 15:
- $1600\text{-}1730~\mathrm{NF}~7510~\mathrm{TAC}~100~\mathrm{kW}~/~065~\mathrm{deg}~\mathrm{to}~\mathrm{KRE}~\mathrm{Korean},~\mathrm{ex}~7530.~\mathrm{Video}~\mathrm{from}~\mathrm{May}~16$
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zrIYP8bULLQ&feature=youtu.be (DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD) Already changed again
- \*\* KOREA SOUTH. 6135, Voice of Freedom, 1300, May 20. Language lesson "How How English"; thanks to Sei-ichi Hasegawa for pointing out the correct name; I went back to my May 2 audio and confirmed the name, per brief audio attachment. Today's lesson "Older brother older sister, younger brother younger sister"); fair with no jamming. Have observed that "How How English" is not broadcast on Saturday or Sunday at 1300 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

A native speaker would never come up with a title like that. Could it be ``Hau Hau English``?? as in Chinese, good, good English? (gh, DXLD)

\*\* KOREA SOUTH [and non]. 9580, May 21 at 1237, Australia Net television news soundtrack via Radio Australia with a report that there is a possible strike at KBS, as the staff are upset that the

president/CEO of KBS has been carrying out political aims of the ROK president. A ``production boycott`` has already started, causing news programs to be scaled down; the 9 pm show to 20 minutes instead of 60. Poll shows 98% of staff favor the CEO resigning. Somehow I have the feeling this is all about \*television\*, tho the word is not mentioned in connexion with ``KBS``, nor is ``radio``, a mere appendage to What Really Matters (let alone international shortwave radio!).

This causes me to pay special attention to the KBS World Radio English broadcast coming up at 1300 on 15575 direct: 1301 newscast sounds normal, nothing about this until the final item at 1311: news boycott; chief editor of KBS should resign? more than 240 others resigning? unions to vote on general strike, 97.9% favor. But KBS management says such striking is illegal.

I wasted time searching R. Australia/Australia Net websites for stories about this; also wasted at KBS World Radio itself. Instead, Google searching on KBS Strike gets plenty, especially from Korea Herald, latest one being:

http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20140521001392

KBS UNIONS START VOTE ON FULL-SCALE STRIKE
The Korea Herald > National > Social affairs
Published : 2014-05-21 20:35 Updated : 2014-05-21 20:36

Two labor unions of the nationës largest broadcaster KBS on Wednesday began a vote to decide whether to carry out a full-scale strike, calling for their company president to step down.

KBS journalists have been boycotting their news production since Monday, demanding the broadcasterís president Gil Hwan-young resign for allegedly interfering in news reporting in favor of the government.

The unions, boasting some 2,500 and 1,200 members respectively, said they will hold the vote until Tuesday next week and Friday, respectively.

Gil once again refused to step down, signaling that the crisis could be prolonged. iIëll never resign, yielding to a politically motivated instigation,î he said in a statement aired live on the companyís inside broadcasting system. He then vowed to sternly deal with any iillegal strikeî by the unionists.

Gil came under fire after Kim Sigon, former bureau chief of KBS news, disclosed last week that Gil yielded to the presidential officeës pressure to produce news reports favorable to the Park Geun-hye administration, especially in the coverage of last monthis ferry

disaster.

The chief editor said that Cheong Wa Dae officials have repeatedly pressed him for news favorable to the administration while Gil also has directly ordered him to remove or add particular news items.

Kim said that Cheong Wa Dae also pressed him to refrain from airing news critical of the Coast Guard, the government maritime police agency at the center of public criticism for its botched rescue attempt following the April 16 ferry sinking. The accident, one of South Koreaës worst maritime disasters, left more than 300 people, mostly teenage students, dead or missing.

In the hastily arranged news conference on Monday, the KBS president rejected the allegations, saying that he has no plans to step down. The refusal prompted the KBS journalists to indefinitely extend their boycott, originally scheduled only for Monday. (Yonhap) ``

15575, did not listen next to `Seoul Calling` which might have dealt with this internal matter; but later in the hour, 1338 ``drama lines`` = language lesson; 1343 music show (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* KURDISTAN [non]. 17870, May 20 at 0548, fair signal talking about Ukraine, in Farsi, maybe? No, it`s Kurdish per HFCC: VOA at 0500-0600, 100 kW, 85 degrees from Biblis, GERMANY (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* KUWAIT. 17550, R Kuwait, May 14, 2220. M and W in Arabic with some sort of radio drama piece. VG (Rick Barton, El Mirage, Arizona, with Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, Hammarlund HQ-180A, slinky and random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17550, May 16 at 2050, R. Kuwait Arabic service is fairly audible, partly music, and accurate timesignal at 2100, news; while 15540 English until 2100 was inaudible, presumably below the LUHF now, unless off the air. The 2 MHz separating these always makes a big difference in propagation, reception (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17550, R. Kuwait, May 16 2342-0000, 35443-35433, Arabic, Talk and Arabic music, ID at 0000. 17550, R. Kuwait, May 20 2319-2331, 45444, Arabic, Talk and Arabic music, ID at 2324 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* KYRGYZSTAN. 4010.058, Bishkek R, S=8 -80dBm, heard on remote unit in eastern Thailand. Kirghiz Republic National Anthem heard playing at

- 1757-1800 UT, finished the daily operation schedule (Wolfgang B¸schel, via Uwe Volk`s SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* MADAGASCAR [and non]. 5010.006, AIR Th. S=6 and -90dBm at 1430 UT, BUT
- 5010.470, MDG, R Madagasikara at 1810 UT, variable frequency, wanders always 20 40 Hertz up and down (Wolfgang B schel, some Africalogs of today May 15, some footprints, noted and measured at 1800-1830 UT, logged on remote downunder remote unit in Queensland, AUSTRALIA, signals propagate from Africa across the Indian Ocean during night hours. On May 16 monitored some logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk's SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST) So not always clear which are which, mixed in together? (gh)
- \*\* MALAYSIA. 7295.000, MLA probably RTM, totally DISTORTED audio signal! (Wolfgang B¸schel, On May 16 monitored some logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk`s SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST) No time
- \*\* MEXICO. 770, May 18 at 0158 after a SW monitoring session for an hour, I check for KKOB NM, but stronger signal is in Spanish, full ID with 25 kW, street address in Monterrey NL, telephone numbers, ``770-AM, una emisora m·s del Grupo FÛrmula``, then rejoining net for item about Colonia del Valle en MÈxico DF. So it`s XEACH but its night power is allegedly only 1 kW (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* MEXICO. 1410 MEXICO XEBS La M·s Perrona, Mèxico D.F. 1027 May 19, 2014. Mexi-tune, male XEBS calls, more vocals and chatter, never an anthem in the 1100 range on this one (logged the previous three days in the 1045-1110 range as well). Calls and °La M·s Perrona!, slogan at 1101 and 1103. Very good level but eventually giving way to WMYR, Ft. Myers Classic Country. Perrona doesn't mean "cheap" in this instance; it's a Mexican-ized phrase used by youth for great or excellent (Terry Krueger, FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* MEXICO. 6010, 27/04 0415, XEOI R Mil, Ciudad de Mèxico, Mexico. Px mx, nx about iMessicoî. suff/poor. PIA 109 = DX NIGHT PIANCADA-FRIUL, Saverio De Cian & Valter Comuzzi, RX = 2 x Perseus SDR & JRC 535 + Beverages Antennas Outdoor. See WEB info: http://www.mcdxt.it Play-DX electronic 18 May via DXLD)
- ?? The Mexicans don't pronounce it '`Messico''. Only report of this being on the air lately, still unheard here, just Brasil and Colombia (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* MEXICO. 6184.981, Radio EducaciÛn, Mexico City, very weak signal, modulation hard to understand on threshold level signal, 0457 UT (Wolfgang B<sub>s</sub>schel, log of this May 15 morning, noted at 0355 til 0510 UT slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6184.982, Radio EducaciÛn, Mexico City, unfortunately [?] fair signal this morning, nice modulation signal, sweet romantic music at 0422 UT May 19 (Wolfgang B<sub>s</sub>schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* MEXICO. A bit of sporadic E TVDX May 16, not above channel 2, UT:

1630 on 2, first sign of some weak video, in and out

1850 on 2, retune to find CCI poor with antenna SSW, music

1853 on 2, novela, Azteca-13 bug in UR

1900 on 2, building stronger

1901 on 2, recheck, now a studio show with a bunch of icons for social media across the bottom; maybe different station, or program change 1905 on 2, fading out; nothing at 2045 recheck, or later today.

Sporadic E analog TV DX, May 17, UT:

1345 first check, nothing

1426 on 2, `Sabadazo` program bug in LL, from net-2, I think, but can`t see a net bug; CCI. Zero 6m ham activity is showing in North America on the Dxmap and the G7IZU map!

(Later I notice that `Sabadazo` is on UnivisiÛn in the USA Saturday at 17-21 UT: watch a bit of it: insipid studio variety show, with kids, clown at the moment mentioning which woman has the best legs.)

1429 on 2, Televisa net-5 promo, CCI, animation with feline creatures, net 5 bug in LR. Soon fades out; occasional traces of video later in morning but nothing more. Now there is some very minimal 6m ham activity on the maps.

Earlier in the day on May 18, 6m Es maps were showing big opening across central USA; should have reached some of the three Ontario channel 2 TV stations allegedly still in analog, so aiming there for a few hours, I see nothing. Finally Mexico opens up for hours, all times and dates UT:

2222 on 3, VG signal with promo for `Notivisa` on XHBC, Mexicali BCN. Does that news name apply to any other stations? Not to my knowledge. Then in B&W movie there is continuous square blue bug in LR, 3, with calls XHBC running vertically at its left edge from bottom to top, i.e. you need to tilt your head 90 degrees to the left to read it directly. Below the block, digital clock in PDT. Often snow-free until abrupt fade-out at 2300. Numerous photos attempted, including close-ups of the bug.

http://www.w4uvh.net/xhbc1.jpg
http://www.w4uvh.net/xhbc2.jpg
http://www.w4uvh.net/xhbc3.jpg
Glad that Tijuana`s 3 is long gone, no more zero CCI.
1663 km = 1033 statute miles

Even when 3 is strongest, no sign of the other Mexicali station, XHAQ on 5. Has it already migrated to DTV 28, or MUF just not up to it? Still on Hepburn's map:

http://www.dxinfocentre.com/TV5.pdf

2222 on 2, much weaker signal with movie, bug in UR I can't make out yet. Closest 2 to XHBC is Ensenada. 2235 ad briefly in English for RosÈ, back to Spanish. Fades in a bit stronger and now I see there is a continuous ID bug in the UR corner:

XHENT CANAL 2

ENSENADA BC

The font is a little fancier and larger than the tiny IDs some stations flash briefly, but is lite if not white, and needs a dark background to be more legible. To the left of the lettering is the generic Azteca logo which also is part of the Azteca-13 net bug, but this one is listed as an Azteca 7 affiliate: no `7` bugs seen. Fades out abruptly at 2300 along with XHBC-3.

2346 on 2, something fades in briefly after half a sesquihour break.

UT May 19, the Mexican opening is back with greater force, I find after a SW monitoring session at 0110-0130.

0134 on 2, B&W Mexican musical movie with sombreros, peaks southwest rather than WSW as earlier from BCN. Gala swirl bug in LR, Spanish ads; little audio yet; 0136 promo for Televisa. 0138 zero CCI such that I am getting video from one station, unmatching audio from another for a little while. Without local ID, I conclude this must be XHHMA, 30 kW in Hermosillo, Sonora, the only Televisa-9 listed on 2 in W9WI.com and also correlates with:

0138 on 4, soccer on Azteca 13 net, bug in UR. There are several possibilities, but correlating with ch 2, figure it`s likely XHHSS, 100 kW, in Hermosillo, Sonora.

0158 on 5 and 6, now MUF up to here with CCI. I also check lower Hermosillo FM frequencies but no Es ever heard: 88.9 and 89.7 are blocked locally; 90.7 best bet; 91.5 and 92.3 with ACI.

0211 on 2, still same movie from XHHMA but now some CCI.

0214 on 4, strange video CCI, almost zero beat, but somewhat diagonal

from a station with horizontal out of synch compared to XHHSS. Stronger at 0215, the video clash making an audio het. Salsa music from somewhere.

0215 on 3, something showing video, unlike earlier

0231 on 3, XHBC Mexicali is back with same bug as described above but now it's in the upper right instead of lower right; IFE government PSA

0240 on 2, 3, 4, 5, mostly CCI, too many stations at once

0251 on 3, large orange 3 bug in UR, not XHBC, with clock below it in CDT: 21:52 28 C; and from same one, Gala swirl in LR. NO Gala = Televisa 9 listed on 3 in W9WI.com but the bug matches Oglethorpe's channel 3 gallery, now updated as of May 2014,

http://tvdxtips.com/mexlogosch3.html

for XHPN, Piedras Negras, Coahuila, which is a Televisa-local, which means partial relays of any of its national nets including Gala (and no fulltime Gala in that market??). None shown in W9WI.com, but:

W9WI.com by state does NOT list XHPN on 3 in Piedras Negras: http://www.w9wi.com/web/tv-states/CL.html But is in the list by channel as 42.91 kW:

http://www.w9wi.com/web/tv-channels/3.html

892 km = 554 miles from PN to Enid, a nice close skip distance!

0252, heavy CCI briefly on 5, but nothing on 6

0302 on 6, video only, movie, briefly, unknown bug in UR

0305, the 3 and Gala bugs from XHPN are still visible, now with a variety show.

0310 on 4, movie in color featuring an `Indian` female character; Gala swirl in LR, but no other bug in UR. W9WI.com lists only one net 9 on 4: XHGK-TV, 100 kW in Tapachula, Chiapas, but I doubt it, too far. Listed are three generic/local Televisas in Morelia, Oaxaca and Puebla

0324 on 4, CCI from soccer: is this one still Hermosillo?

0337 on 4, movie? with Azteca 7 bug in UR; red background to the 7, in and out. W9WI.com lists only two:

XHNCI, Manzanillo, Colima, 19.86 kW

XHPSO, Matlas de Romero, Oaxaca, 40 kW

Oaxaca is pretty far, beyond the region I have been getting

0354 on 4, Azteca promo for the Mundial on that network

- 0438 on 2, still with movie, ads, 0440 promo Gala TV with that name flashing full screen for only split seconds; Hermosillo presumably
- 0440 on 4, movie with Azteca 13 bug in UR, Hermosillo?
- 0453 on 2, movie with strobe dancing scene, Gala bug LR, Hermosillo?
- 0500 everything fades out, thankfully, as I am fading out at local midnite. Turn off TVs quickly (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* MOROCCO. 9575, May 15 at 0531, dirty blob, might have been from a local device, but it's fading somewhat, so wonder if the only Moroccan SW transmitter is out of order (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* MYANMAR. 5985.00, Myanmar Radio. Continues with exact frequency tx through May 20 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* NETHERLANDS [non]. GERMANY(non), Updated summer A-14 schedule of Transport Radio in Dutch
- 0800-1000 6095 NAU 100 kW / 230 deg to WeEu Mon/Wed/Fri, ex Mon-Fri 0800-1100 6095 NAU 100 kW / 230 deg to WeEu Tue/Thu is not active!! http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/updated-summer-14-schedule-of-transport.html
- -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria May 22, dxldyg via DXLD)
- \*\* NETHERLANDS [non]. 9925, UT Sunday May 18 at 0131, The Mighty KBC, with Kim's Radiogram, he said a plug for NASWA, 1 minute and 3 seconds. 0145, an Italian novelty song playing, probably Kraig Krist's feature. Since WTWW-2 has been reactivated on 9930, and since evening extension to 0200, instead of moving to 5085 at 0000, now there is mutual adjacent interference, especially when either or both are in music. As time goes on, WTWW weakens a little, but not enough (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* NEW ZEALAND. Frequency changes of Radio New Zealand International in DRM mode:
- 1551-1750 NF  $\,$  5975 RAN 025 kW / 035 deg to Cook Isl/Samoa/Niue/Tonga, ex  $\,$  7330  $\,//$   $\,$  9700 AM  $\,$
- 1951-2050 NF 15720 RAN 025 kW / 035 deg to Cook Isl/Samoa/Niue/Tonga, ex 11690 // 11725 AM
- http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/frequency-changes-of-radio-newzealand.html
- -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 15, dxldyg via DXLD)
- \*\* NIGERIA. 7254.919, Voice of Nigeria at 1830 UT (Wolfgang B schel,

some Africalogs of today May 15, some footprints, noted and measured at 1800-1830 UT, logged on remote downunder remote unit in Queensland, AUSTRALIA, signals propagate from Africa across the Indian Ocean during night hours. On May 16 monitored some logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk's SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST) So not always clear which are which, mixed in together? (gh)

15120-AM, May 17 at 0607, VON is audible but undermodulated with whine, YL talking, presumably news (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, news and very low audio, the same this morning (18th), also the following shows, the live announcements, interval signals and the French service afterwards had very low audio. But: This morning one short interview segment within the news broadcast had quite loud and clear audio! Yesterday 1630-1730 on 9690 and 1730-1800 15120 had taped programmes in English or just music, also with whine. In contrast, the 15120 DRM and 9689.9 Hausa broadcast were not on air yesterday - so problems also in Abuja. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

May 18: music with strong audio on 15120 -1558, 1600- on 11770, scheduled programmes on 9690 -1730 and 1730- 15120 (Arabic, good audio with the preproduced bits like IS and Quran, announcer/newsreader much too low and dull).

May 19: back to back "Time for Highlife", "Nigerian Popular Music", "Theatre on the Air" all morning on 15120, good. Missing on 15120/11770/9690 in the afternoon; 2100++ again with "Time for Highlife", etc. on 7255, weak under R. Belarus. Pres. VON Abuja on 11769.9: fair/good until sudden s/off at 2126.

May 20: normal programming in the morning from the Lagos studio, low audio with the English taped broadcast, the live announcer of the English service -0700, the IS, the French announcer afterwards, but a prerecorded announcement at 0701 in French had loud and clear audio again. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, ibid.)

\*\* NORTH AMERICA. 6935-USB, May 18 at 0116 novelty song, poor-fair; 0117 ID? But couldn't copy it, 0118 back to music, seems all music past 0130; at 0134 ID with a gmail.com address, more music, still going at 0155, to very poor level. This thread http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,17041.0.html says it's Northwoods Radio (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* NORTH AMERICA. 6950.0-USB, May 18 at 0133 I notice that a much stronger pirate than 6935 has come on, with jazz/jive/YL scat song.

Bet it's Wolverine Radio. Yes, per 2-word ID at 0138 after 'Do That Shake Dance, Mama' at 0136; after another song, at 0140 'Save the Last Dance for Me', so tonight's theme is songs about dancing, and/or with dance in the title. Bet we never hear 'Dance of the Hours' -- what have these pirates got against classical music?? Turned out this was widely heard by DXLD yg monitors, catching several other 'dance' songs. I've been monitoring on the porch, with reel-out antenna plugged in, but as I go inside at 0157 ID, this is sufficiently strong to keep listening past 0200 on the PL-880 with whip aerial only (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello everyone, one of the strongest pirates I've ever heard on the air right now 6950 USB, S9 +20 into Montreal at 0155 UT, Rock music; ID Wolverine radio. 73 (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada, UT May 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

Big here as well (as usual an incredible signal) - music at 0209z tune in (Rich Ray, Near Chicago IL, ibid.)

Also strong here in Louisville on just a PL-660 and the built-in telescoping antenna. Playing Bowie's "Let's Dance", "Safety Dance" early 80's new wave music at 0226 (Mike Bryant, KY, ibid.)

Blasting into SW Florida also 0248 UT on an ETON E1 with a whip only. Now playing Tom Petty, "Last Dance with Mary Jane" (John G., Sarasota County, FL, USA, ibid.)

\*\* NORTH AMERICA. 9760, "Radio Station YHWH" (religious pirate), tune in at 0229, May 21 to hear the usual programming; \*0230 hit with QRM from sign on of Radio Farda; 0242 start of the ending YHWH theme music / song, but did not sign off; instead played the theme music/song again and started a new show (back to back programs!); tuned out at 0325; very poor after 0230 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. 1120, KEOR: See UNIDENTIFIED [and non]

\*\* OKLAHOMA. KOME in 2009 --- abandoned station photos, ex-1300: https://www.flickr.com/photos/tulsatv/sets/72157621986456279/ Linked from the R.E.F. item on abandoned stations.

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https://www.flickr.com/photos/tulsatv/ with lots more on Tulsa radio and TV, et al., including the Admiral Twin Drive-In Theater (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. 4600, May 18 at 0112, JBA modulation from local Enid mix // 1390 KCRC ESPN audio. But our other strong signal, 960 KGWA has to

be involved. Formula:  $4 \times 1390 = 5560$ , minus 960 = 4600 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. RF 31 & 32, KXOK-LD Enid and intercity relay, May 20 at 1417 UT, TVOK is \*finally\* showing something else besides endless repeats of a few `Discover Oklahoma` and `Outdoor Oklahoma` episodes since February(?) --- some human intervention has finally occurred. It`s infomercials! Jillian exercise hard-sell; 1500 UT something about fishing lures, 1530 UT pushing videos of ancient Dean Martin comedy roasts.

This is on 31-1; 31-2 has resumed full-screen color bars with M-FOX PSIP, and 31-3 is once again active but black instead of any Azteca. Silence on both audiowise, and as a matter of fact, so is main channel 31-1, except for some hum, still such as 1545. However, Suddenlink Cable ch 15 in Enid does have sound on KXOK, so must not be picking it up off the air even tho transmitter is only a block away in downtown Enid! What a sorry excuse for a TV station, Enid's only (and no translators active here either, tho there are CPs for some and other LPTVs; KSBI's K45EJ continues to be imaginary for years even tho on their RF 51 ID slides) (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA [and non]. WORLD WAR ONE: THE ORIGINAL CODE TALKERS By Denise Winterman BBC News Magazine 18 May 2014 Last updated at 19:50 ET

The men rarely talked about their role when they returned from the war [caption]

When US military codes kept being broken by the Germans in WW1 a Native American tribe came to the rescue. They just spoke their own language - which baffled the enemy - and paved the way for other Native American "code talkers" in WW2.

It's an irony that probably didn't go unnoticed by Choctaw soldiers fighting in World War One. While the tribe's children were being whipped for speaking in their native tongue at schools back home in Oklahoma, on the battlefields of France the Native American language was the much-needed answer to a very big problem. . . http://www.bbc.com/news/magazine-26963624 (via Gerald T Pollard, NC, DXLD)

\*\* OMAN. 15140, R. Sultanate of Oman, May 15 1416-1438, 25332 English, Music, Gongs at 1429, Theme music, News (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* PAKISTAN. 15235, R. Pakistan, May 15 1439-1452, 45444, Urdu,

- Pakistan music, // 17550 kHz (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3905, May 16 at 1147, carrier here but hardly any modulation; yet stronger than 3925 Japan, which is never so in the winter; on 90m, only 3205 with a JBA carrier. Before 1200 I prefer to monitor SOLOMON ISLANDS instead, q.v. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* PERU. CQ, CQ, CQ --- AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:
- 4824.48, PER/, R. La Voz de la Selva, Iquitos; 1/05 1047-1105, 22222, m'sica, son las 5 de la maòana con 51 minutos, buenos dÌas, que no nos gane la hora, ads comercial Putumayo. Ya viene LVS noticias, ID "LVS presenta el ·ngelus", ID "T' eres la voz de la selva en LVS noticia", Pedro Paredes en la producciÛn y Carlos Paredes. NOTA: Por momentos dicen LVS en vez de decir la Voz de la Selva.
- 4835.00, PER/, R. Ondas del Sur Oriente, Quillabamba; 18/05 1130-1155, 44444, m'sica folklûrica, ID "Ondas del Sur Oriente y su poderosa seòal" programa La hora folclûrica m'sica-f, ads, programa biling e espaòol-quechua. ID "Usted est· escuchando Ondas del Sur Oriente, la poderosa"

[Covered by 4840 WWCR powerhouse and CODAR shraap shraap. 0351 UT wb]

- 4955.00, PER/, R. Cultural Amauta, Huanta; 27/04 2310-2340, 44444+, m'sicaf, ads en espaÒol y quechua, ID "Por Radio Cultural Amauta", m'sicaf, programa en quechua.
- 5459.95, PER/, R. Bolìvar, Bolivar; 13/05 2340-0047, 33333+, mˈsicaf, ID "M·s potente, m·s nÌtida, Bolìvar seòal ganadora". Un saludo a nuestros amigos de la ciudad de Bolìvar, mˈsicaf, ID "Radio Bolìvar, totalmente satelital" ID "A travÈs de Radio Bolìvar" mˈsicaf [WORLD OF RADIO 1722]
- 5980.00, PER/, Radio Mix, Urubamba / Radio Chaski, Cusco, 22/04 1050-1125, 33333. Radio Chaski no efectuÛ su s/on a las 1100, sino a las 1114, lo que me permitiÛ captar lo indicado por HK el 20/04:
- Radio Mix, Urubamba, Cuzco, 22/04 1050-1114, 33333, m'sica, ID "Tus fines de semana ya no ser·n porque Radio Mix presenta discoteca Mix Radio con los mejores disc jockey", ads, ID "Ahora Radio Mix para el mundo, ingresa a nuestra p·gina oficial www.radiomixtepone.com, Radio

Mix te pone conectado al mundo", ID, "96.3, el n'mero que no toca lo mismo, somos Radio Mix 96.3".

Luego a las 1115, Radio Chasqui efectuÛ su s/on y se perdiÛ la captaciÛn, escuchar grabaciÛn adjunta. https://es-es.facebook.com/radiomix96.3

Radio Chaski, Urubamba, Cusco, 22/04 1115-1125, 44444+, m'sicaf huayno en quechua, ID "Por Radio Chaski en cadena con Radio Integridad", m'sica, ID "Radio Chasqui con Radio Trans Mundial presentaÖ" programa religioso.

NOTA: Radio Mix, Urubamba, se escuchÛ en la Radio Chaski frecuencia SO de 5980 el 20 de abril cerca de la medianoche. Un clip de audio fue enviado a ml por Mike Shcherbakov. El n'mero de telÈfono, direcciÛn web y direcciÛn postal de la estaciÛn se les dio en el aire junto con cumbias y anuncios andinos para los establecimientos en Urubamba, uno de ellos para los paneles solares con m·s informaciÛn disponible en los estudios de Radio Mix.

[Pedro F. Arrun·tegui en Lima seòalû Radio Mix de nuevo el 22 de abril en 1114. Programaciûn con relès de Radio Red Integridad y Radio Trans Mundial se encuentra ahora los informes, a la normalidad. Radio Mix parece ser un nuevo nombre y formato de Radio Fortaleza anterior y Radio Stereo Sur, tambièn cotiza en 96.3 FM. Uno tendr· que preguntar al operador de estudio para obtener una explicaciûn. øSe escucha a la nueva Radio Mix mientras inadvertidamente alimentar sus archivos de audio en el transmisor Chaski SW, al mismo tiempo? (Henrik Klemetz).]

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 22/04 al 18/05 en compaÒla de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, ser·n mejor escuchadas con los audlfonos. Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, CHASQUI DX MAYO 2014, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

- \*\* PERU. 5025, May 17 at 0057, R. Rebelde is off, but there is a JBA carrier, presumably Quillabamba, but not enough to audiblize (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* PERU. 5460, May 18 at 0109, JBA carrier here, probably R. La Voz de Bollvar, which WRTH says runs until 0130. With BOLIVIA in on 5580, always check for its companion WOOB South American (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* PERU. [See also PFA report, supra] 5980, May 16 at 0058, R. Chaski carrier, until off at 0111:19.5\* which is 11.5 seconds later than two nights ago.

5980, May 17 at 0059, R. Chaski carrier still suffering from 5990 CRI/Cuba splash. Then some modulation making it, but I`m just listening to carrier with BFO to time its cutoff tonight: 0111:25.5\* which is 6 seconds later than yesterday.

5980, May 18 at 0105, R. Chaski carrier and some talk modulation until chopoff at 0111:31.5\* which is 6 seconds later than yesterday.

5980, May 19 until 0111:37.5\*, R. Chaski carrier cut, which is 6 seconds later than yesterday (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5980. R. CHASKI. 20/05 0040 UT. Programa 'El amor que valeª. SINPO: 35343 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: hilo 30 metros, QTH: Ovalle centro, IV regiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

5980, May 20 at 0109, R. Chaski carrier and some modulation, but when I spy my watch to time the cutoff, find it's lost a minute: battery must be dying. No way to time it exactly on short notice. But Chaski goes off somewhat before 0112, and since it was 0111:37.5\* yesterday, today it would be about 0111:43.

5980, May 21 at 0102, R. Chaski carrier until chopoff at 0111:49\*, which is 11.5 seconds later than a binite ago; my watch has a brand new battery, so I am all set to resume precise timings, always having employed a correxion factor from WWV within a few minutes of the observation (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* RUSSIA. VOR BOSS SACKED; VOR ITSELF TO BE LIQUIDATED

"The head of the government of the Russian Federation Dmitry Medvedev dismissed the head of the iVoice of Russiaî Andrei Bystritsky in connection with the liquidation of the radio station. The corresponding document was posted on the official portal of legal information." (14 May)

 $\label{lem:http://jumifra.com/the-head-of-the-radio-station-voice-of-russia-dismissed-in-connection-with-liquidation-of-the-media/$ 

(via Chris Greenway, May 15, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

\*\* RUSSIA [and non]. TAJIKISTAN, RUSSIA --- In my order got a copy of the letter that the Committee on Television and Radio Broadcasting of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan sent to the Presidential Administration. In this document, in particular, states (published abridged):

"Committee for Television and Radio Broadcasting of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan is a reliable partner FSI "Voice of Russia" and in rebroadcast of the territory of Afghanistan, India, Pakistan, Iran, Tajikistan and other countries of Southeast Asia. Middle East and Africa. Despite considerable interest radio programs and their relevance, with January 1, 2014 on the initiative of the Russian side was stopped broadcasting in (SW) range, and with the April 1, 2014 - and in the medium wave band (MW), which immediately caused a wave of discontent some listeners.

Concluding an agreement on the provision of equipment for the year 2014 for the dissemination of programs FGBI "Voice of Russia", JSC "Teleradiocom" from April 1, 2014 was left without funds for maintenance of existing facilities and maintenance employees in the amount of the terminated contract. Costs 3-5 million dollars a year for the Russian budget is relatively small audience with a desire to obtain reliable information and to properly evaluate the steps of Russia in international affairs. This situation does not meet the interests of both Russia and Tajikistan. Cut programs in Russian and East HF bands deprives a significant part of the audience information about Russia's position on certain issues.

Undoubtedly, the creation based on modern technology multimedia hubs is necessary and timely. At the same time, as international practice, in contrast to the NE and SW broadcasting, Internet accessibility for recipients sometimes easily restricted to a particular region or country. Introduction of new technologies is usually done gradually, without applying damage to the existing order.

Information vacuum does not happen: Russia will not be broadcast, to be replaced by other broadcasters come Western countries who continue to work actively to spread their programs in the region. Including in the HF bands and CB actively using technical means of "Teleradiocom" Committee for Television and Radio Broadcasting of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan. If you currently limit Russian broadcasting is not known what to expect losses in the future.

We ask you to consider the possibility of resumption of broadcasting radio programs in Russian and East HF bands using technical means the Republic of Tajikistan."

Letter sent in late April. According to unconfirmed information from official sources, it has become one drop which still resulted in a huge effort of the state company "Russian television and radio networks" Resuscitation powerful broadcasting in practice. Question about the powerful broadcasting in Russia ranges NE -SW should be raised at a meeting of the Russian Security Council, which will take place a few days ago. Specialists have a timid hope to believe that the funds for these purposes yet to be allocated (Vadim Alexeyev, Moscow, RusDX 18 May via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

\*\* RUSSIA. Public radio broadcasting internal Russian
Radio Russii [sic] [is this a complete list of MW outlets remaining?]

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Frequency kHz / kW / Location / Regional Transmission
 567 / 500 / Volgograd, Russia / GTRK " Volgograd "
 567 / 75 / Kyzyl, Tuva Republic / GTRK " Tuva "
 576 / 50 / Khabarovsk, Russia / GTRK "Dalniy Vostok "
 585 / 150 / Perm, Perm / GTRK "Perm"
 594 / 40 / Izhevsk, Republic of Udmurtia
 621 / 50 / Makhachkala, Dagestan / GTRK "Dagestan"
 621 / 50 / Syktyvkar, Komi Republic / GTRK "Komi"
 639 / 75 / Omsk, Russia / GTRK "Irtysh"
 657 / 150 / Murmansk, Russia / GTRK " Murman "
 693 / 150 / Ufa, Republic of Bashkortostan
711 / 7 / Naryan-Mar, Nenetskiy AO / GTRK "Zapolyarje"
738 / 25 / Palana, Kamchatka Region / GTRK "Kamchatka"
 738 / 40 / Chelyabinsk, Russia / GTRK " Yuzhny Ural "
 792 / 25 / Abakan, Republic of Khakassia / GTRK " Khakassia "
 792 / 50 / Aleksandrovsk-Sakhalinsk, Russia / GTRK "Sakhalin"
 810 / 150 / Vladivostok, Primorsky Krai / GTRK " Primorye"
846 / 40 / Elista, Republic of Kalmykia / GTRK "Kalmykia "
855 / 50 / Penza, Russia / GTRK " Penza "
873 / 25 / Kaliningrad, Russia
873 / 250 / RC "Lesnoy", Moscow region
873 / 100 / Samara, Russia / GTRK "Samara"
873 / 75 / Saint-Petersburg, Russia
918 / 150 / Arkhangelsk, Russia / GTRK " Pomorje "
936 / 5 / Matveyevka, Orenburg region / GTRK "Orenburg"
945 / 40 / Novocherkassk, Rostov region / GTRK " Don-TR "
 963 / 20 / Zakamensk, Buryatia / GTRK " Buryatia "
1008 / 1 / Tuapse, Krasnodar region
1080 / 100 / Kovylkino, Mordovia / GTRK " Mordovia "
1089 / 5 / Tilichiki, Kamchatka Region / GTRK "Kamchatka"
1089 / 5 / Nikolsk, Vologda Region / GTRK " Vologda"
1116 / 30 / Sochi, Krasnodar Krai / GTRK "Kuban"
1251 / 7 / Cherkessk, Karachay-Cherkess Republic / GTRK " Karachay-
Cherkessia "
1287 / 50 / Grozny, Chechen Republic / GTRK "Vainah "
1350 / 2x5 / Ust- Kan and Ust- Ulagan Altai Republic / GTRK " Gorny
Altai "
1395 / 1 / Buguruslan, Orenburg region / GTRK "Orenburg"
1458 / 7 / Kudimkar, Perm / GTRK "Perm"
1476 / 20 / Onguday Altai Republic / GTRK " Gorny Altai "
1485 / 2x1 / Kamenskoe and Keys, Kamchatka Region / GTRK "Kamchatka"
1602 / 1 / Ust -Barguzin, Buryatia / GTRK " Buryatia "
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828 / 75 / Kyzyl, Tuva Republic
918 / 50 / Makhachkala, Dagestan / GTRK " Dagestan "

Radio station "Vesti FM"
1089 / 1200 / Tbilisskaya, Krasnodar region
1215 / 1200 / Sovetsk, Kaliningrad region
1413 / 500 / poselok Mayak, Prednestrovie

Data as of March 2014 [subject] to change.
http://www.dxcourier.ru/rrus.html
(via RusDX May 18 via DXLD)
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\*\* RUSSIA [non]. SPAIN / RUSSIA, Radio station "Autoradio" started broadcasting in Spain. "Autoradio" brand expands its presence in the international market - from May 2014 radio program on the air resounded Spain. Today "Autoradio" you can listen to the cities along the Mediterranean coast and the islands of the Mediterranean Sea:

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Barcelona - 98.5 FM;
Tarragona - 106.1 FM;
Valencia - 107.3 FM;
Calpe and Javea - 100.9 FM;
Benidorm and Alteya - 99.9 FM;
Alicante - 90.4 FM;
Torrevieja and Oriuella - 98.8 FM;
Palma de Mallorca - 101.6 FM.
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And from 1 June 2014 to the network broadcast "Autoradio" added Deniya and Gandia. Here, the radio station will broadcast on frequency 92.2 FM.

Potential audience of the Russian-speaking population in the region more than 250 thousand people. In addition, Spain - one of the favorite and desirable places for travelers and tourists from around the world. This amazing country is famous for its spas, where year-round warm weather persists great, hits the sunny beaches and beautiful cities with ancient architecture. Last year alone, visited Spain more than 1.6 million tourists from Russia. In relation to the 2012 growth rate of 34%. It is expected that this year the flow of Russian tourists to Spain increased.

"Autoradio", is the leader of one of the industry leaders "Broadcasting Corporation Prof-Media"( PMBC ) - and one of the
country's most popular radio stations. Station sounds throughout
Russia and the CIS countries and abroad. Format Features "Autoradio"
brand name and allows you to customize the radio to meet the needs of
almost any audience and the specifics of any country. (OnAir.ru via
RusDX May 18 via DXLD)

\*\* RUSSIA. Videos from May 16, 2014: Moscow Technical University of Informatics, Green Eyes 1450 on 25900 Moscow https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ESG3dg3nN8c&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Among scores of other clips

\*\* RUSSIA. UNIDENTIFIED. 18575-AM, May 15 at 1243, 6-note ``interval signal`` playing 18 times per minute, poor signal. Notes are: low-high-low-high-low-higher.

Searching hfundergrounnd on 18575 and 18.575 gets zero hits; searching the UDXF yg gets two:

``Hi All, As follows: 10405.0 Mazielka sequence 162543 07:20z 16190.0 Mazielka sequence 123456 07:35z 18575.0 Mazielka Sequence 352416 12:30z 19405.0 Mazielka Sequence 352416 12:42z Regards Paul H S UK``

That's a log from April 3, 2014. He doesn't bother to explain what a Mazielka Sequence is. And the other:

``18575.0Khz am AM, Mazielka tone sequence 880, 954, 849, 914, 816, 995 Hz Russian MFA, Moscow 12:54:19UTC (2013-11-21) (mco in Portland, ME USA on StarChat#wunclub)``

Those Hz don't match the tones I heard, as #1, 3 and 5 were the same; 2 and 4 were the same, but #6 was indeed higher.

Searching on Mazielka leads back to HF Underground, http://www.hfunderground.com/wiki/X06 including a large frequency list, but not 18575. Explains:

``The Enigma designator for the Mazielka series is X06. Mazielka is thought to be a selcall system used by the Russian MFA to alert outstations, in advance of forthcoming messages to be sent in Crowd 36 or similar. [MFA = Ministry of Foreign Affairs, or what? Surely not Ministry of Fine Arts --- gh]

Up to 99% of these signals are sent out at random times on up to 350 different frequencies. These signals take the form of a repeated series of 6 tones (at 840, 870, 900, 930, 970, 1015 hertz) sent in 2 seconds, and in any sequence of 1-6, producing 720 variants.

These signals are largely transmitted in AM but are, generally, easier to receive in USB. Each transmission usually lasts for around 4/5 minutes. Apart from the 720 variants there are other Mazielka tone

combinations of simple 2, 3 4 and 5 tones which you may hear and, of course, the frequency list covers only those frequencies where we have already logged signals.

You can expect to find Mazielka signals all the way from around 4 MHz up to 25 MHz but their random nature makes them difficult to pinpoint.

Identifying a Mazielka signal is simply a matter of reading the tones in order. For example 840 Hz (lowest tone) is designated as "1", 870 Hz as "2", 900 Hz as "3", 930 Hz as "4", 970 Hz as "5" and 1015 Hz (the highest) as "6".

A sound file of 164532 can be found at File:164532.mp3 http://www.hfunderground.com/w/images/9/9d/164532.mp3 and a Spectral Image is available to the right on this page. 164532.jpg

X06 signals are widely heard in Europe and the Mediterranean area, and also regularly reach Argentina and occasionally Australia.``

So what does Mazielka mean? Google translate gets no closer than mazilka which means dauber. That is, from Russian. It takes a while, but G.t. eventually suggests a Cyrillic ``did you mean?`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi, "Mazielka" was originally -in some intelligence communities- the nickname for this selcall system. I doubt that it actually means something. It has been around for a long time. See also the X06 Project docs on our website http://www.udxf.nl/ute-info.html 73, (Ary Boender, UDXF yg via DXLD)

Hi Glenn, Great that you caught a Mazielka! There is a small group of us chasing Mazielka signals and you may find the attached notes give a little more detail. Although the signals appear to be random they do follow a pattern and in the last 3 years we have logged over 1400 transmissions of which 800 were "scheduled". In fact the one you caught was the 800th!! I hope that the attached notes will prove interesting; these were in fact published last week on the UDXF site. Regards, Peter, X06 Team, ibid.)

Look for the X06 links at the left at http://www.udxf.nl/ute-info.html (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

I measure and report the tones as I always have done - in USB mode, zero beat on the AM carrier, offset from the carrier point. Clearly from observation, either the AM transmitters used vary on frequency, or the equipment used to send the tones does. ómco (Mike Chace-Ortiz, ibid.)

18575, May 16 at 1246, no signal from Mazielka tones, reported to be from MFA Moskva, 24 hours after my first log (as UNIDENTIFIED); not surprising, since it does not operate on a daily-repeat schedule. My post of this on the UDXF yg got some informative responses (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SAAR [and non]. Europe 1 planned maintenance breaks in transmissions ended now. re: > from May 16 2300 UT, to May 19 0200 UT.

LW 183 kHz, Europe-1 is BACK at present on FULL POWER, noted at 0735 UT May 19 downunder in Sicily Italy at S=9+20dB -49dBm signal strength, with similar power like France Inter Allouis, latter on proper S=9+25dB -46dBm strength.

Both RMC 216 S=9+5dB -67dBm, and Radio Luxembourg 234 kHz S=8 -82dBm are less strong in Sicily Italy / Malta area. 73 (Wolfgang B schel, May 19, mwdx yg via DXLD)

\*\* SARAWAK [non]. 15460, Radio Free Sarawak, per Aoki still via Palauig-Zambales (Philippines), May 17. Seems that RFS is now jammed? Heard in the clear with pop songs at 1055; intro IDs at 1100; at 1102 hit with non-stop noise; still covered by noise at 1123. As the noise started just after RFS signed on and was non-stop, have to think about the possibility that the noise is in fact jamming. Would appreciate receiving other opinions regards this noise from people more knowledgeable about jamming than I am. Here are two audios for your review:

Clear audio of the intro and IDs, with noise starting at 02:26 https://app.box.com/s/v36dtbdgeh6oy61pk1w7 Audio of the noise mixing with RFS - https://app.box.com/s/9oo4zmpczwtamutc06et (Ron Howard, San Francisco/Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

http://www.malaysia-chronicle.com/index.php? option=com\_k2&view=item&id=284921:despite-intimidation-courage-triumphs-radio-free-sarawak-picks-up-key-award-in-australia&Itemid=2#axzz32DzS1SSl

May 19 - Good story about RFS and award they won from the University of Queensland in Brisbane. In part:

iWe have been struggling against persistent attempts to jam our show over the past weeks, which is an illegal interference of our right to broadcast. People in Sarawak have a right to choose alternative media to the relentless propaganda on the government controlled channels.

There are legitimate dissenting voices against the programme of so-called development being put forward for Sarawak by Taib Mahmud and the state government and there are issues of corruption and human rights abuses that ought to be addressed. We provide a platform for ordinary folk to have their say on this show about the enormous changes being forced upon them and we provide a rare opportunity for elected opposition politicians in Malaysia to be heard as wellî says the programme founder, London based Clare Rewcastle Brown." (Ron Howard, May 19, ibid.)

Hi Glenn, was checking for RFS this morning and found them on 15420 (ex-15460) presumably to escape the jammer that's been harassing them the past week or so: 15420, RFS (via Palauig-Zambales, PI) 1225-1230\* 20 May. Weak/clear with "special report" closing at 1229 with ID then closing with patriotic-sounding song with Sarawak in the refrain. Apparently moved back here to avoid the (Malaysian?) jammer that's been plaguing them for a week or so (Dan Sheedy, Encinitas, CA PL380/6m X wire, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CLANDESTINE, 15420, R. Free Sarawak, May 20 1211-1231, 45444, Iban, Talk and Telephone talk back, ID at 1214 and 1221 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RFS QSY to avoid jamming on May 20. 15430 1100-1145, 15420 1145-1230 de Hiroshi (S. Hasegawa, Japan, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

PHILIPPINES, Nothing heard of R. Free Sarawak in 15.4 to 15.5 MHz range today Wed May 21, 1100-1130 UT: Only heard 15410 AIR, 15440 CRI, 15480 CNR, 15490 ARS, 15500 IRN. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang Bschel, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

Nor here checked around 1215 May 21 (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

Hi Wolfy, Had the same negative results as you did on May 21, here in California. Checked the band, but couldn't find them. Their website shows they had a program today -

http://radiofreesarawak.org/

(Ron Howard, CA, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PHILIPPINES, Frequency changes of Radio Free Sarawak from May 20: 1100-1145 NF 15430 PUG 250 kW / 280 deg to SEAs Iban Mon-Sat, ex 15460 1145-1230 NF 15420 PUG 250 kW / 280 deg to SEAs Iban Mon-Sat, ex 15460 Used SDR receiver in Manila, Philippines. According to Wolfgang Bueshel nothing heard of Radio Free Sarawak in 15.4 to 15.5 MHz range on May 21 (DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via DXLD)

\*\* SAUDI ARABIA [and non]. 15170, May 19 at 0542, Qur`an, very poor with rumbling SAH from even weaker station. During this hour, both BSKSA and CRI are inadvertently aimed USward: Riyadh at 355 degrees, and Jinhua at 59 degrees, per Aoki (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SERBIA [non]. On May 13 heard: 6100.000, IR Serbia via Bijeljina, Bosnia, in Russian at S=9+45dB level at -30dBm powerhouse. At 1825 UT, political commentary, Serbian male pop music singer. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B schel, May 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Due to the heavy rainfall with widespread flooding, the main power and phone lines are interrupted in Serbia and Bosnia. Last heard on May 13. 73 (Wolfgang B.schel, May 17, HCDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

Just in case you are not aware of this:

http://www.oslobodjenje.ba/vijesti/bih/bijeljina-i-dalje-kriticno-sava-pocela-da-plavi-i-selo-balatun-evakuisano-6000-ljudi

Bijeljina: Voda prodire preko nasipa Visoc

http://www.nezavisne.com/novosti/drustvo/Bijeljina-Voda-prodire-preko-nasipa-Visoc-245228.html

(Kai Ludwig, May 19, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

For attempted translation of the stories see BOSNIA (gh, DXLD)

From the several days (May 14-18) no signal of International Radio Serbia, probably due to floods in Serbia and other Balkans countries

1730-1800 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Italian Mon-Fri

1800-1830 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Russian

1830-1900 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu English

1900-1930 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Spanish

1930-2000 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Serbian Sun-Fri

1930-2030 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Serbian Sat

2000-2030 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu German Sun-Fri

2030-2100 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu French

2100-2130 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu English

2130-2200 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Serbian Fri

Here the video from April 30 - KCBS Pyongyang in Korean and IRS in Italian

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J4iLXnnaAgw

Video from May 16: no signal from IRS in Italian, weak signal of KCBS

Pyongyang

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m6d4VB7PdUY&feature=youtu.be

International Radio Serbia was back on 6100 kHz from May 19.

Three videos from May 20: 1731 in Italian, 1901 in Spanish, 1931 in Serbian

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BvesoB\_rpEM&feature=youtu.be https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Fa8DqH3o5k&feature=youtu.be https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R6I14TkW29I&feature=youtu.be (DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via DXLD)

- \*\* SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5020-, May 16 at 1145, very poor carrier here on lo side of channel, as compared to 1020 KOKP, no doubt SIBC. So I'm back at 1156 to catch its cutoff, which chops at 1159:07\*. I don't see reports of 9545 any more (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* SOMALILAND. 7120, Radio Hargeisa, 1321, May 20. Usual theme music used at start and end of English segment; sounded like news followed by talk about Somaliland independence; only able to make out a few words "Somaliland community," "Somaliland independence," "Somaliland . . determination," "capital city of Somaliland," etc.; HOA music/songs; poor to very poor with constant QRM from hams. Poor quality audio at

https://app.box.com/s/2mf6aib640k0lx2spa8y

Nice to still find them with an English segment, which ended at 1340. My local sunrise was at 1257 UT.

http://www.raxanreeb.com/2014/05/somalia-somaliland-celebrates-18-may/ On May 18 Somaliland celebrated their self declared independence (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

- \*\* SOUTH AFRICA. 11790, May 18 at 1959, hilife music, 2000 BaBcoCk music loop IS until 2001.5\*, poor-fair. HFCC shows AWR Fulfulde via Meyerton at 1930-2000, 250 kW, 317 degrees, so also USward. (Aoki shows azimuth for this as 170, which can't be right) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 9955, May 15 at 0529 via WRMI-10, Brother Stair recorded generic contact announcement, which is about all we hear from himself any more. 12105, fair May 15 at 0558 via WTWW-3, ditto. (Ivo Ivanov reports that 12105 switched to 5085 between 0605 and 0610 this date; so same transmitter?)
- 5085, May 15 at 1222, TOM is back on here from WTWW, playing hymn `The Sweet Bye-and-Bye`; 1225 generic announcement from BS even spelling out O-V-E-R-C-O-M-E-R, M-I-N-I-S-T-R-Y, for his perceived woefully ignorant but not totally illiterate audience.
- I force myself to listen to the substitute huxter whose name is never given, this time on 9980 WWCR at 1250 May 15 when he mentions someone having a heart attack, and his wife taking care of the burial. This is

just before I am speculating on BS` fate on WOR 1721 via WRMI 9955. At 1256, 9980 inserts another recorded generic contact announcement by BS himself. This seems to happen at least twice an hour. At 1308 the other guy is mentioning how God has ``magnified`` Brother Stair like few other prophets, such as Solomon; ``pray that God gives strength to Brother Stair`` to continue, presumably as a live person, but maybe he is ailing.

Searching on Stair, and Overcomer, plus obituaries in the local newspaper, which previously published stories about Stair's jailing for sexual offenses, http://www.colletontoday.com is completely unproductive.

9690, May 16 at 1302 via WRMI, medley of Brother Scare clips, 1303 back to his unID substitute. On Thursday night, I asked Jeff White,

``TOM coup? Hi Jeff, I guess you are busy at NASB/GB, but I wonder what's going on with TOM? Last week or more, someone else is doing most of the talking and we only hear BS on recorded contact announcements every half hour or more. And the other guy never seems to identify himself. Is BS ailing or even defunct? Back in jail? 73, Glenn``

``I don't think there's any problem. I know our facility manager spoke with him a day or two ago, and he seemed to be fine. Greetings from the NASB meeting at IBB Greenville -- quite a place! Jeff`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also USA: WTWW

BULGARIA, Co-channel between UNID in Farsi and Bro Stair in English: 1222-1225 11600 SOF 050 kW / 030 deg EaEu. Video from today, May 19: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t99mryOYbXI&feature=youtu.be
At 1235 Brother Stair is off on 11600 and also no signal from 1305 on 9400

http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/co-ch-between-unid-in-farsi-and-brtoher.html

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

As of May 19, we are \*still\* hearing nothing but canned announcements from Brother Scare himself on The Overcomer Ministry frequencies via various stations whenever checked; otherwise, only other voices which have no interest in spelling out their own names. This is highly abnormal, as TOM has been an extremely personal ministry of Ralph G. Stair. \*He\* is the ``last day prophet of God``, not various acolytes. Yet he`s hardly mentioned by anyone else. Something`s up in Walterboro. I can`t imagine BS voluntarily relinquishing control and predominant presence on the air.

Could there be clues in the Daily Word from the Prophet? http://www.overcomerministry.org/DailyWord.htm current one, ``Be Sober and Very Watchful`` is dated May 13, 2014 but just with the usual apocalyptic nonsense. See also USA: WTWW

12105, May 20 at 0116, via WTWW, Brother Scare himself has come back to life on The Overcomer Ministry, after some weeks' absence except for canned contact announcements. Now he is talking about Pentecost on Sunday June 8, which matches for 2014y, so presumably current. He's planning a service in the tabernacle at 10 am (even tho it's not the Sabbath), when 'the power of God will come to power us' and anticipates 'visitation from our God'. That should be neat! Walterboro, center of the universe. Also gives e-mail as lasttime@overcomerministry.org Then back to an unID clip, but further random chex find BS himself orating, not the other unID subguy(s) we have been hearing for weeks (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also USA: WTWW

Glenn, Just in case anyone wants to e-mail TOM, the e-mail address is actually lastime@overcomerministry.org (i.e. only one letter t). (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12105 // 9930, May 21 at 0107, both WTWWs with TOM but the other guy, not BS at the moment. Random chex on these and other frequencies indicate that BS is still not monopolizing all the airtime, but at least twice an hour his promo for the big Pentecost event is rererereplayed, usually around :15 and :45 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SPAIN. 15160, May 18 at 0138, American-accented talk in English for most of a minute about ``letting too many people into the lifeboat``, i.e. refugees; must be Australia? No, not // 17840, and when I get back to 15160, YL in Castilian is taking over. So it was just REE Spanish with a long English clip, which I don`t think was directly translated (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Exterior de Espaòa in Spanish was noted on May 20: 1400-1500 on 21514 NOB 250 kW / 161 deg to WCAf, instead of 21515 // frequency 21610 NOB 250 kW / 110 deg to N/ME // frequency 21640 NOB 250 kW / 272 deg to CeAm. Video from today https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2MfhQ5WpixQ&feature=youtu.be http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/radio-exterior-de-espana-in-spanish-was.html

- -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* SRI LANKA. 11905, May 16 at 0115, SLBC opening music, very poor signal but enough to track the mistimesignal until 0115:17.5.

- 11905, May 17 at 0115, no signal from SLBC, tho India and Diego Garcia [qq.vv.] are making it. Finally poor carrier on a few seconds before \*0120; by 0124 just barely modulated.
- 11905, May 18 at 0114.4 tune-in, OC already on, 0114:46 drumming starts, 0115:17.5 the 2+1 timesignal ends, SLBC opening Bangla; fair with flutter, soon down to poor.
- 11905, May 19 at 0114, SLBC carrier, poor with flutter; 0114:47 music; 0115:17.5 ends the 2+1 mistimesignal.
- 11905, May 20 at 0114, SLBC open carrier, 0114:47 music starts, 0115:17 mistimesignal (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* SUDAN [and non]. 15550, May 18 at 0542, multiple tones jamming, and hardly anything audible from R. Dabanga itself, via UAE. Just like on 11650 via Vatican (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* SWAZILAND. 4774.991, TWR Africa, German from Manzini, weak S=6 signal into Alberta-CAN remote unit. Woman religious chorus, QRM CODAR signal covered 4768-4845 kHz range (Wolfgang Bschel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- 6129.869, TWR Manzini at 1825 UT (Wolfgang B schel, some Africalogs of today May 15, some footprints, noted and measured at 1800-1830 UT, logged on remote downunder remote unit in Queensland, AUSTRALIA, signals propagate from Africa across the Indian Ocean during night hours. On May 16 monitored some logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk's SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST) So not always clear which are which, mixed in together? So would make 131 Hz het against a 6130.000 station (gh)
- \*\* TAIWAN. HUWEI SUBSTATION: PASSING INTO HISTORY --- In 1967, the government drew up a plan to install shortwave broadcasting equipment in order to extend radio broadcasts into China and to meet US global strategic requirements. In 1969, under the iDingyuan Projectî, Huwei Township in Yunlin was chosen as the site for a new substation. The project took three years and was completed in March, 1972. Broadcasts officially began on May 20 of the same year, offering coverage of Northern China, Central China, South Korea, Russia and India.

The Huwei substation sent its last signal at the end of 2013. Thinking back on its past, among the trees and flowers of the delightful station grounds, the station staff could not help but feel a sense of loss and sadness at parting. Yet they continued to go about their work with the usual vigour and sense of duty. Future programs would be transmitted by state-of-the-art digital transmitters and high-gain

antennae that would improve efficiency and listening quality.

RTI 2014 (Huwei transmissions apparently ended at end of A13 period [Baxter per RTI]) May 16, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

\*\* TAIWAN. On May 17th, Radio Taiwan Intl's transmission to Southeast Asia from 1100 to 1200 UT on 7445 will be suspended. We apologize for the inconvenience (RTI via Alokesh Gupta, India, May 16, dx\_sasia yg via DXLD)

Meaning on May 17 only, or \*from\* May 17, = forever? (gh, DXLD)

Just wanted to clarify that this is just an outage notice for 17th May not permanent closure. 73 (Alokesh, May 19, dx\_sasia yg via DXLD)

\*\* TAIWAN [non]. English for Europe from Radio Taiwan International at 18.00-19.00, via France, will be heard on new 5985, starting 22 May, according to an email from the station. This is due to QRM from All India Radio on 6155 (Roger Tidy, London, UK, May 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Transmission to Europe: Starting from May 22nd, RTI's transmission to Europe from 1800 to 1900 UT will be switched from 6155 to 5985 kHz for better reception conditions (from http://english.rti.org.tw/whatsNew/?recordId=1930 via Mauno Ritola on WRTH Facebook via Alan Pennington, UK, May 19, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Frequency change of Radio Taiwan Int in English from May 22: 1800-1900 NF 5985 ISS 250 kW / 345 deg to U.K., ex 6155 to avoid AIR Urdu. Video from May 17 with announcement of this frequency change: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ofbEA5PVHdc&feature=youtu.be (DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via DXLD)

\*\* TAIWAN [non non]. News from Keith Perron as of May 1:

``On May 18th 2014 we will be doing the first test from our own site.

Target: Southeast Asia

Time: 1300-1400 UT [Sunday]

Frequency: 11765 kHz

Power: 20 kW

To cut down the bureaucratic process of registering a frequency with the NCC, Radio Taiwan International will be letting us use one of their frequencies for the test. Regards, Keith Perron, PCJ Radio International``

Per Aoki, that hour on 11765 is a gap between RTI in Vietnamese until 1300, and CRI English via Urumqi from 1400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Over here there is likely to be QRM from Habana on 11760. Over there there is likely to be QRM from CRI English via Kunming on 11760 PBS Xinjiang, Urumqi is also on 11770 (Glenn Hauser, May 17, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re the PCJ Radio test targeting SE Asia from their own site in Taiwan scheduled for today 1300-1400 UT - the original frequency mentioned (11765) has been changed to 15680 kHz (re postings on Facebook 5 May and today). This is in addition to usual transmission from Sri Lanka 1230-1330 UT today on 13720 kHz.

"Can anyone here in Southeast Asia check out 15680 between 13 and 14 UT. To see if there is any kind of interference. We will not do the test on 11765 and more [sic]. This is the new freq." (Keith Perron on Facebook, 5 May)

"Today from 1230 to 1330 UT on 13720 and from 1300 to 1400 on 15680" (Keith Perron on Facebook, 18 May) 73 (Alan Pennington, Caversham, UK, 0929 UT May 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Only Radio Farda in Persian 1230-1430 on 15680 Lampertheim 100 kW / 108 deg to West Asia (Ivo Ivanov, 0954 UT, ibid.)

Unlikely to be heard here in UK as 15680 kHz scheduled for IBB's Radio Farda in Farsi via Lampertheim, Germany 1300-1400 UT. Maybe audible on one of the Global Tuners though. 73, (Alan Pennington, Caversham, UK, 0956 UT, BDXC UK yg via DXLD)

On May 1, Keith Perron notified us that the first tests of PCJ Radio's own 20 kW transmitter in Taiwan would be Sunday May 18 at 13-14 UT on 11765; so we were looking for it: at 1257, JBA carrier, probably end of RTI Vietnamese as scheduled; after 1300 and some further chex, zero, but could be on and not making it here, also heavy RHC on 11760.

Later we learn that the test frequency was changed to 15680, but Keith never told us, just put it on Facebook. Too late for us to check 15680. Before posting a reminder of the ``11765`` test, I had looked for any update at http://www.pcjmedia.com/ but found nothing at all about it (nor any link to Facebook). Info limited to Facebook does NOT reach everyone in the DX world, including yours truly. Alan Pennington in UK pointed out that 15680 was occupied by R. Farda, via Lampertheim, Germany site. Sei-ichi Hasegawa in Japan was able to hear PCJ fair to good on 15680, not Lampertheim, and he adds, ``Probably 15680 kHz is thought to be the same transmitter and antenna in QSY from 11765 kHz Paochung 100 kW 205 degrees`` which would not be PCJ`s own unit (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, same thing happened to me in Victoria. I recorded 11765, so was disappointed to hear that the frequency was changed at last moment! 73, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Many DX hobbyists like [means: lack --- gh] Facebook group as membership, so late hour information should be spread out on the usual radio hobby newsgroups instead. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B\_schel, ibid.)

R. Farda s/off at 1230 UT on 15680 kHz. I can't receive the Lampertheim transmission in Japan. PCJ on 15680 Fair to Good in Japan. (S. Hasegawa, ibid.)

Strange, today there is no transmissions of Radio Farda after 1230 from LAM 0230-0930 on 15680 BIB 100 kW / 085 deg

0930-1230 on 15680 UDO 250 kW / 300 deg 1230-1430 on 15680 LAM 100 kW / 108 deg (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, 1358 UT, ibid.)

Today's 15680 kHz at 1200-1400 UT:
-1230\* R. Farda-Udon Thani
1230-1258 Clear channel
\*1258-1300 RTI Vietnamese
1300-1358\* Time pip, PCJ Test.

Probably 15680 is thought to be the same transmitter and antenna in QSY from 11765 kHz Paochung 100 kW 205 degrees (S. Hasegawa, Japan, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From 1300 UT, PCJ Radio via Taiwan new private transmitter site (?) - I guess, also on 15680.000 kHz, heard on low level in downunder Queensland Australia at S=4-5 -104dBm signal strength level.

in Japan

S=7 -82dBm in Nagoya JPN, S=7 -82dBm in Nara JPN, S=6 -90dBm in Tokyo JPN.

in Europe - 15680 kHz wooden registration - not used - by US propaganda station in Persian as Radio Farda, but latter side band splatter used from adjacent channel 15690 kHz Biblis Germany site instead.

S=4-5 -95dBm, at Moscow Russia,
S=3 -112dBm, under threshold level, at Frankfurt and Switzerland.
vy73 Wolfy df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

15680 is not wooden, but today there is no transmissions of Radio Farda after 1230 from LAM 0230-0930 on 15680 BIB 100 kW / 085 deg 0930-1230 on 15680 UDO 250 kW / 300 deg 1230-1430 on 15680 LAM 100 kW / 108 deg (Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

18 May: PCJ Radio first test from own transmitter site --- This is what the 20 kW from PCJ Taiwan's own station's first Test sounded on 15680 kHz in Colombo. The signal for 20 kW was great. It was better for me than Trincomalee as I am 200 km from the Trinco station and I get a mix of ground wave and backscatter as opposed to Taiwan beamed towards Colombo and S. India.

https://app.box.com/s/zwatbex5afwwqukv2ajg (Victor Goonetilleke, Sri Lanka, DXplorer via Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

This is contradicted by S. Hasegawa's catching the tail of RTI's Vietnamese broadcast on the same frequency 15680 just before 1300, as above! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX WORLD OF RADIO 1722, LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Wolfy, It is thought that probably this service uses a 100kW Tx of RTI.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vVBs0T85G3w by DFS in Shimane-pref. at \*1258UT on May 18 (S. Hasegawa, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Additional transmission of PCJ Radio International from May 18: 1300-1400 NF 15680 PAO 020 kW / 205 deg to SEAs English Sun, not 11765 1230-1330 on 13720 TRM 125 kW / 045 deg to EaAs English Sun as scheduled

0100-0130 on  $\,$  9955 YFR 100 kW / 160 deg to CeAm English Sat via WRMI (DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via DXLD) It's 0100-0200 on WRMI (gh)

[Log of the separate, other, regular PCJ transmission overlapping the test:]

PCJ heard on 13720 kHz today May 18 from 1230 UT DEPENDING of antenna used and local PLC and electrical disturbtion

on downunder Australia S=6-7 at -80dBm in Queensland, AUS. S=5 on threshold level in Sydney AUS.

in Japan S=9+25dB -48dBm in Nagoya JPN, S=9+15dB -62dBm in Nara JPN, S=9+10dB -68dBm in Tokyo JPN.

in Europe - BUT REE Madrid DRM program instead.
S=8 -76dBm, at Moscow Russia,
S=9+20dB -52dBm, at Frankfurt and Switzerland.
vy73 wolfy df5sx (Wolfgang B schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* TAIWAN. 9320.11, Sound of Hope R International, via Taiwan, 0727-0730, May 01, Chinese talk, ID, SOH has many channels, as far as I know, it's unusual in the broadcasting on SW, I think the state of competing in many channels, 33322 (Tomoaki Wagai, Wakayama, Japan, DSWCI DX Window May 14 via DXLD)

TAIWAN/CHINA: Monitoring log of some SOH and others Taiwan broadcasts, and accompanied CHN mainland jamming of CNR and Firedrake mx. Slot 0600 to 1000 UT May 17, heard mainly in Australia and Japan remote SDR posts.

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10959.983 SOH
10960.000 CNR jamming, 09 UT
11300.140
11429.877 SOH
11430.000 CNR jamming, 09 UT
11500.081
11580.000 CNR jamming, 09 UT
11580.163 SOH
12190.000 CNR jamming, 09 UT
12190.224 SOH
12370.000 CNR jamming, 09 UT
12370.053 SOH
12499.985 SOH
12500.000 CNR jamming, 09 UT
12560.156
12799.962
12870.071
12910.0 CNR jamming S=9+10dB -64dBm strength in JPN
13014.971 UNID Chinese program, Fu Hsing BS? from TWN? male and
female, interspersed by pop mx, even German pop song heard, 09-11 UT
13269.993
13350.139
13429.990 at 0600-0700 UT
13430.000 CNR jamming from 0700 UT, not 1000 UT
13480.058
13679.839
13774.973 distorted audio, scratching down to 13758 kHz.
13920.164 scratching terrible distorted audio, nearby CODAR
13970.056
14369.976 SOH
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14370.000 CNR jamming from 0700 UT
14484 to 14490 kHz KRE jamming spurious
14599.943 SOH
14600.000 CNR jamming, 10 UT
14870.000 CNR jamming
14900.066 Falun Gong matter, distorted TX quality, overmodulated.
14920.000 CNR jamming at 06 UT
14920.213 SOH at 10 UT
14980.000 CNR jamming
14980.053 SOH, distorted TX quality, overmodulated.
15340.154 Falun Gong matter, distorted TX quality, overmodulated.
15775.185
15800.057
15869.963
15939.991
16060.163 distorted audio, some feederline or antenna matching problem
16100.094
16250.042
16299.871
16300.000 CNR jamming 08 UT, not at 10 UT
16360.139
16450.024
16599.948
16750.244
16769.860
16920.000 CNR jamming 06 UT
16920.166 SOH
16979.933 SOH
16980.000 CNR jamming 06 UT
17080.000 CNR jamming
17169.919
17299.971 SOH
17300.000 CNR jamming, strong signal
18370.544
18430.000
18430.225 SOH
18430.000 CNR jamming, 08 UT
18500.000 CNR jamming, 08 UT
18500.037 SOH
18870.000 CNR jamming, 08-09 UT only
18870.115
18970.038
19969.859
19970.000 CNR jamming, S=9 at 0618 UT strong signal
(Wolfgang B schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 17, dxldyg via DXLD)
Unofficial Service of SOH via Taiwan at 0000 UT on May 20.
19970,
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18970, 18870(RFA), 18500, 18430(RFA), 18370.5,
17300(RFA), 17170, 17080,
16980, 16920, 16770, 16750(RFA), 16600, 16450(RFA), 16300(RFA), 16250,
16100, 16060,
15970, 15940, 15870, 15800, 15775, 15340(RFA),
14980(RFA), 14920(RFA), 14900, 14870, 14370,
13970, 13920, 13850, 13775, 13600, 13480, 13430, 13350, 13270,
12910(RFA), 12870, 12800, 12560, 12500, 12370, 12190(RFA),
11970, 11580(RFA), 11430, 11300,
10960,
9320, 9230, 9200, 9155
de Hiroshi (S. Hasegawa, Japan, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

- \*\* TAJIKISTAN. 4765.048, Tajik Radio noted male announcer at 1801 UT May 16, S=6 -88dBm signal (Wolfgang B schel, some logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk's SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* TAJIKISTAN. USA(non), Frequency change of Radio Liberty in Tajik: 1400-1500 NF 12035 KWT 250 kW / 078 deg to CeAs, ex 11975 1500-1700 NF 12035 BIB 100 kW / 075 deg to CeAs, ex 11975. Video from May 20 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6voC3hIbkzk&feature=youtu.be

http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/frequency-change-of-radio-liberty-in.html

- -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* TAJIKISTAN. Possible resumption of VOR SW via here? See RUSSIA
- \*\* THAILAND [and non]. 15590, May 21 at 0115, no signal from R. Thailand's North American service, supposedly on here from 0000 to 0230. Checking because of martial law declaration and reports that broadcast facilities in Bangkok were surrounded; there could be some disruption. However, this broadcast is seldom audible anyway.
- 9390, May 21 at 1240, R. Thailand English is audible here, poor-fair, the 1230-1300 SE Asian service better for us than the NAm in evenings! Missed most of newscast but everything sounds normal including commercial for Bangkok Airways at 1243. Annoying het/carrier on lo side, possibly of local origin. More informative was a TV report about Thailand at 1254 via R. Australia, 9580 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

With martial law declared in Thailand, and troops surrounding TV, radio stations, check for disruptions to the SW service, especially English and Thai. From Bulgarian DX blog: (gh)

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Friday, April 18, 2014, Radio Thailand HSK9
Summer A-14 shortwave schedule of Radio Thailand (HSK9):
0000-0030 on 15590 UDO 250 kW / 006 deg to NEAm English
0030-0100 on 15590 UDO 250 kW / 038 deg to NWAm English
0100-0200 on 15590 UDO 250 kW / 038 deg to NWAm Thai
0200-0230 on 15590 UDO 250 kW / 006 deg to NEAm English
0230-0330 on 15590 UDO 250 kW / 006 deg to NEAm Thai
0530-0600 on 17640 UDO 250 kW / 308 deg to WeEu English
1000-1100 on 17770 UDO 250 kW / 305 deg to N&ME Thai
1100-1115 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 144 deg to SEAs Vietnamese
1115-1130 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 144 deg to SEAs Khmer
1130-1145 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 030 deg to SEAs Lao
1145-1200 on 5875 UDO 250 kW / 284 deg to SEAs Burmese
1200-1215 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 154 deg to SEAs Bahasa Malay
1230-1300 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 132 deg to SEAs English
1300-1315 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 054 deg to EaAs Japanese
1315-1330 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 030 deg to EaAs Mandarin
1330-1400 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 054 deg to EaAs Thai
1400-1430 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 132 deg to SEAs English
1800-1900 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 313 deg to WeEu Thai
1900-2000 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 329 deg to WeEu English
2000-2015 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu German
2030-2045 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 321 deg to WeEu English
2045-2115 on 9390 UDO 250 kW / 313 deg to WeEu Thai
(via Glenn Hauser, May 20, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)
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15590 - R. Thailand at 0015 in English. Poor audio with severe flutter and static crashes. Signal fading up over time to almost readable level but still suffering from significant audio distortion. Programming seems to be their standard fare of tourist info, economic & international news. Although I can only get about 20% of what is being said I have not heard any mentions of the current martial law situation in the country. Apparent antenna switch at 0030 significantly degraded reception (Stephen Wood, Harwich, Mass., Perseus SDR w/ 25 x 50 N/E terminated superloop antenna, UT May 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

See also UK [non]. BBCWS changes via Nakhon Sawan

\*\* TIBET [non]. See CHINA [and non], Jamming of RFA on 18980, 19000

18990, May 16 at 1243 JBA signal with CCI, fast SAH, and // CNR1 on 18870 which is much stronger.

18980, May 16 at 1349, CNR1 jammer, very poor with flutter, // 11785 These match the Friday (and Tuesday) usage of RFA Tibetan via KUWAIT: 12-13 on 18990, 13-14 on 18980, per Aoki.

19000, May 17 at 1242, CCI audible along with the Wadley Loop MHz birdie, i.e. CNR1 jammer and/or VOT via Kuwait, which during this hour is on Saturdays (and Wednesdays) uses 19000, per Aoki.

18930, May 19 at 1321, JBA signal is // 18870, so CNR1, thus jamming the Monday-only 13-14 frequency of RFA Tibetan via Kuwait (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Frequency changes of Voice of Tibet and new broadcast: 1200-1215 NF 15542 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 15543 1215-1230 NF 15548 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 15537 1230-1245 on 15557 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change 1245-1300 NF 15562 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15563 1300-1315 on 15538 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese no change 1300-1315 on 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change 1315-1330 on 15543 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese no change 1315-1330 on 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change 1330-1345 NF 15543 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 15542 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change 1330-1345 on 15568 DB 1345-1400 NF 15542 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 15537 1345-1400 NF 15563 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15562 1400-1415 on 15525 MDC 250 kW / 045 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change 1400-1415 on 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change 1415-1430 on 15530 MDC 250 kW / 045 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change 1415-1430 on 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change 1430-1500 on 15612 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, additional

All frequencies are jammed by China on xxxx0 / xxxx5 Changes between frequencies vary from 3 to 5 minutes

- http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/frequency-changes-of-voice-of-tibet-and.html
- -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 17, dxldyg via DXLD)
- \*\* TURKEY. 15450, May 15 at 1227, Voice of Turkey IS with fair signal, best heard yet on A-14 channel before English, but by the news or press at 1239, it's too poor to copy (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: 9830, Voice of Turkey at 2215 ending press review program and ID - Poor Apr 28 Sellers-BC.

Also noted with a new IS at 2159 with Middle Eastern music and repeating ID then time pips at 2200 and a woman with ID and sked ñ Very Good May 4. This IS seems to have replaced the simple piano notes and is most welcome as it better fits Turkey's culture (Mark Coady, ON, ODXA via DXLD)

- \*\* UGANDA. 4975.965, R Uganda, Kampala 1820 UT, on May 16 log 4975.966 kHz (Wolfgang B schel, some Africalogs of today May 15, some footprints, noted and measured at 1800-1830 UT, logged on remote downunder remote unit in Queensland, AUSTRALIA, signals propagate from Africa across the Indian Ocean during night hours. On May 16 monitored some logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk's SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* UKRAINE. Nothing from Radio Dnieper Wave, only Ukrainian Radio in Ukrainian was observed on 4 May 2014, \*0600-0800\* on 11980, better on 11980.2-USB. For the all seasons before RDH was heard only in the last 3-4 minutes of each hour the other 56-57 minutes were with UR1 programme always (Rumen Pankov , Sofia, Bulgaria for RUS DX PLUS bulletin 11 may 2014, via RusDX May 18 via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)
- \*\* U A E. 11640, May 17 at 0113, SW Asian language, poor with flutter; Aoki shows RFA Uighur service northeastward from UAE; so jamming is not audible here for a change (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* U A E. 6145.096, BBC Somali service on odd frequency, heard BBC Somali web address given at 1821 UT May 16. S=8 and -75dBm strength. (Wolfgang Bschel, logs in eastern Thailand from 1745 to 19 UT, via Uwe Volk's SDR, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 15/16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* U K [non]. Frequency changes of BBC World Service from Wed, May 14: 0000-0100 on 13725 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Mon, ex Daily 0000-0100 NF 13625 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Tue, ex 13725 0000-0100 NF 13625 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Wed, ex 13725 0000-0100 on 13725 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Thu, ex Daily

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http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/frequency-changes-of-bbc-worldservice.html

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, May 20, dxldyg via DXLD)

Obviously a futile attempt to evade ChiCom jamming, or rather to keep the jammers on their toes, as even English broadcasts from The West are now in need of blockage from the too-many Chinese who understand it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 18097.5, May 15 at 2020, an extremely slow CW transmission, long pauses between letters and even longer between words, so I have no trouble copying part of it (I`ll spare you the all-caps):

``An extract from your station log --- to the FCC --- operator and station licenses were two different things so you could renew your --- end of 5 WPM text``.

No doubt it`s W1AW at ARRL HQ in CT, with ``slow`` code practice at 4 pm ET Tuesdays & Thursdays per http://www.arrl.org/code-practice-qst-source http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. HOUSE MEASURE TO CHANGE VOICE OF AMERICA'S MISSION IS
DRAWING INTENSE DEBATE === By RON NIXON May 20, 2014
http://mobile.nytimes.com/2014/05/21/us/politics/house-measure-to-change-voice-of-americas-mission-is-drawing-intense-debate.html

WASHINGTON -- A bill to overhaul Voice of America has prompted an intense debate among supporters of the legislation who say it will better enable the broadcast news service to counter Russian disinformation and opponents who say it will turn the service into an American propaganda tool.

The legislation, which recently passed the House Foreign Affairs Committee with bipartisan support, would make changes to the mission of the government-financed Voice of America that its sponsors say would more clearly define its role in support of the United States. Specifically, the bill revises the language of Voice of America's mission to explicitly state that the outlet has a role in supporting American "public diplomacy" and the policies of the government.

The full House is expected to take up the bill as early as this summer. The Senate is working on a similar bill.

Representative Ed Royce, the California Republican who is chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, said the legislation was essential in the face of negative and inaccurate information increasingly disseminated about the United States abroad. "While countries like Russia have been working 24/7 on their information campaigns, V.O.A. has abandoned its mission to effectively promote the policies of the U.S. even though its charter is clear in this regard," Mr. Royce said.

Representative Ed Royce calls the legislation essential.
Manuel Balce Ceneta / Associated Press [caption]

But the bill, the latest in a decades-old debate in foreign policy circles about the role of Voice of America, has prompted a backlash from journalists, many of whom work at the news service once run by Edward R. Murrow and who pride themselves on the organization's independence.

"The only thing V.O.A. has left is its reputation, built over decades, as a credible news organization," said one veteran journalist at the service who asked not to be identified criticizing the legislation. "Changing our focus from straight news to policy promotion will undercut any efforts to keep or build our audience."

Founded in 1942 as a part of the Office of War Information, Voice of America started with a mission to counter Nazi and Japanese propaganda. During the Cold War, it became part of the State Department and then the United States Information Agency and focused on countering Communist propaganda in East Germany and other Sovietbacked countries. Since 1999, V.O.A. has been overseen by the Broadcasting Board of Governors, an autonomous federal agency.

The legislation not only tweaks the mission of Voice of America, but would also reduce the Board of Governors to an advisory role and create a full-time chief executive to run the agency day to day. The legislation is in response to longtime frustration from members of both parties with the Board of Governors, which has been accused for years of mismanagement and of failing to provide a direction for the broadcast service. Former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton once called the board dysfunctional.

Mr. Royce said the bill would not turn the broadcast service into a government messaging tool because it provided safeguards to keep the government from dictating content.

Walter Isaacson, a former chairman of the Board of Governors as well as a former chairman and chief executive of CNN, said that the legislation was a response to changing times and that Voice of America should have a dual mission to clearly present American policy as well as provide objective news.

"Russia has returned to its old Pravda-like disinformation tactics, China and the Arab nations are creating sophisticated new broadcasts, and Twitter and social networks are changing the game," Mr. Isaacson said. "We need to respect Edward R. Murrow's legacy while realizing that even he would be changing with the new technologies and threats."

James K. Glassman, another former board chairman, said he agreed with the move to tweak the mission of Voice of America. "It's supposed to be this journalism organization and at the same time support U.S. foreign policy," Mr. Glassman said. "This comes into conflict all the time, and I believe Congress is right to address it."

But D. Jeffrey Hirschberg, a former member of the Board of Governors, called the legislation problematic because, he said, it would fundamentally change the way the service operated.

"The V.O.A. has a pure journalistic mission and it always has," Mr. Hirschberg said. "It doesn't do messaging or propaganda. Any legislation that alters the journalistic mission would be unfortunate."

Inside Voice of America, the legislation has created widespread fear among staff members who have long considered themselves professional journalists rather than spokesmen for government policy. During a recent staff meeting, journalists angrily voiced their concerns to managers. One journalist said the broadcast network could see a mass exodus if the legislation passed.

Dan Robinson, who worked at the service for more than two decades before retiring this year, said the legislation would create additional problems if passed into law: It could endanger the lives of journalists and broadcasters who work abroad.

"So do foreign governments now start seeing journalists from V.O.A. as agents of U.S. policy rather than as journalists?" he said. "That's a real concern."

But Helle C. Dale, a senior fellow for public diplomacy at the Heritage Foundation, who supports changes to overhaul Voice of America and other international broadcasting, said such claims were absurd.

"It's not like people don't already know," she said. "It's completely funded by the U.S. government, and it's called the Voice of America. How does this legislation change this reality?"

In addition to Voice of America, the federal government runs Radio Free Europe, Radio Free Asia and the Middle East Broadcasting Networks. Under the legislation, those broadcast outlets would be reorganized into a single organization called the Freedom News Network (via David Cole, Mike Cooper, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

Posted on my FB page and shared with other SWL groups:

BBG MEMBER TO VOA JOURNALISTS: PRIMARY PART OF MISSION IS COUNTERING PROPAGANDA --- BAD GUYS

BBG member outlines to VOA journalists how they should determine / assess whether to cover particular stories. Read it and weep, because this basically throws out the window decades of how VOA covered the news and raises numerous questions. Get your psychology, sociology and metrics degrees out because that is what it will take to proceed on a news story ---

BBG Member: ". . .you have a relationship with your audience(s) --- what do they need, if commercial media are reporting on a story in a way that you think is adequate, that it is 85 percent of what the audience needs --- if [the]commercial product is doing that, my view is why spend your time when you can just take that commercial [material] and just push it out --- if you're simply doing what the AP has done --- you should have some other value adds and context --- if you're simply doing what the AP has done, why not just let the AP do that story? You add context, whether it is reporting on a municipal bankruptcy --- what is the lens your audience is going to see that from --- there is an American perspective but again what does the audience need? If you are reporting on a story in a way that is really no different from commercial media, there is an argument there that you are competing with commercial media.

By law, you are not supposed to do that and I think it is ultimately a waste of our resources for you to do that. Let's take the AP, let's take the AFP, let's take the Reuters copy ---

VOA News Manager: Just to clarify, there are places we can reach that the AP cannot reach, so you're saying use our transmitting capability, our facilities to deliver the AP story, is that what you are saying? BBG member: Well, you have bridged a gap that I wasn't getting at but we can, one is the content creation, the other is content dissemination, and we can also talk about content availability which is for example, Internet inaccessibility, Internet anti-censorship --- again, if it is the sense that they are doing the job adequately, why not [let them] do it? But you should be providing a value add, how is this different? CNN, BBC, they will possibly report on a story or not provide the context or the detail that we think is necessary for our audience, and our audience is broad --- what is the context that is necessary to understand this? Is it the de-packing of the code of the American language within it? Is it the fitting it into a context that the local audience understands using their symbolism, using references within their environment? I am not a journalist, but this is where I am trying to separate what is our job, what is commercial media's job, what are they providing ---

VOA reporter: What if I have a scoop on something that doesn't make US foreign policy look that good, or the treatment of a minority in this country look all that good, should I then not report on it?

BBG member: No, I don't think I said that at all.

VOA reporter: But you're talking about value added?

BBG member: That is a value add -- the story is not being reported on. You're providing a story. The sheer fact that you're able to report on Abu Ghraib, that a government network is able to report on Abu Ghraib, says a lot about our own transparency, our own accountability. You are able to contextualize that story for an audience, that is part of the value added.

An AP story --- another news service, they may just shorthand that whole story --- what does the audience need and why. Why are we sharing America's story? We're sharing it so they can understand what our policies are. It is countering the propaganda, the bad guys that are trying to characterize us in a different way, providing a reflective moment in which they can see us and they can see different realities and different futures for themselves. What does rule of law look like? What does transparency look like?

I have said this in various forums --- the agency's current mission statement says in support of freedom and democracy. Most of where we are there is no freedom and democracy so how are we supporting it? Freedom and democracy are lofty terms that even our closest allies don't have the same definition of, so let's go down to a lower level, which is rule of law, transparency, accountability, human security, commerce --- these are the building blocks that enable the people to

figure out their own trajectory, their own democracy --- that is why you are reporting these things --- (Dan Robinson, DC, May 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Posted on my Twitter feed:

VOA journalists told reason taxpayer funds you. . . "is because of national security issues..."

20m Dan Robinson @DanRobinsonDC" There is an argument there that you are competing with commercial media; by law, you are not supposed to do that"

21m Dan Robinson @DanRobinsonDC Member of presidentially-appointed board suggests VOA reporters break the law if reporting same stories commercial agencies are

22m Dan Robinson @DanRobinsonDC VOA journalists told primary part of mission is countering propaganda --- "bad guys" (via Dan Robinson, May 21, DXLD)

\*\* U S A [non]. 11995, May 16 at 0524, interview in English about Syria catches my ear, but often interrupted by voice-overs in Kurdish, confirmed language at 0529 with ``Denge`` and ``Washington`` confirming it`s VOA, along with 0530 VOA jingles. HFCC shows at 05-06 it`s via SMG VATICAN, i.e. another violation of SoChaS. Fair signal

15730 // 17530, Sunday May 18 at 2008, super signals off the back from Greenville with VOA French to Africa, blues/jazz show, 2009 ``Where Did You Sleep Last Night?`` (in English) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. Here is the lineup for VOA Radiogram, program 59, 17-18 May 2014 (MFSK32 centered on 1500 Hz):

- 1:31 Program preview
- 2:56 Washington Monument reopens, with image
- 8:33 Two-dimensional transistor, with image
- 14:49 Are reusable rockets a good idea? With image
- 18:55 Plastic from shrimp shells, with image
- 26:59 Closing announcements

Details: VOA Radiogram, 17-18 May 2014 Here is the lineup for VOA Radiogram, program 59, 17-18 May 2014 (MFSK32 centered on 1500 Hz): 1:31 Program preview 2:56 Washington Monument r... View on voaradiogram.net Preview by Yahoo

VOA Radiogram transmission schedule

(all days and times UT):
Sat 0930-1000 5745 kHz
Sat 1600-1630 17860 kHz
Sun 0230-0300 5745 kHz
Sun 1930-2000 15670 kHz
All via the Edward R. Murrow transmitting station in North Carolina.
(Kim Elliott, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Received specifics here:

http://www.rhci-online.de/VoA\_Radiogram\_2014-05-17.htm
+ KBC-radiogram + DSSTC-pics of KB4BW
(roger, Germany, ibid.)

Details about VOA Radiogram during the weekends of 24-25 May and 31 May-1 June 2014 is available here...

The 31 May-1 June program will include experiments with MFSK images at X1, X2, and X4 speeds, and an EasyPal (DRM) image.

VOA Radiogram, 24-25 May and 31 May-1 June. VOA Radiogram, program 60, 24-25 May 2014 This program will include two interesting stories about the Internet, but because of their length we will use the ... http://voaradiogram.net/post/86211972732/voa-radiogram-24-25-may-and-31-may-1-june (Kim Elliott, May 19, dxldyg via DXLD)

\*\* U S A. I discovered a new World of Radio podcast icon on the excellent radio service called "Tunein". http://tunein.com/radio/World-of-Radio-p198/ (Charles Harlich, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST) It pulls from http://www.rmrc.de (gh)

\*\* U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1721 monitoring: not ready for first airing at 0330 UT Thursday May 15 on WRMI 9955, so 1720 replayed.

First 1721 SW airing confirmed at 1230 UT Thursday May 15 on WRMI 9955, somewhat above the pulse jamming level; tnx a lot, Arnie! By 1255 stronger signal, presumably having already switched from 160 to 315 degree antenna and from transmitter 10 to 11. Wish they would just do it at 1230 on Thursdays. Next:

Thu 2101 on WTWW 9475
UT Fri 0327v on WWRB 5050
Sat 0630 & 1430 on Hamburger Lokalradio, 7265-CUSB
Sat 2330 on WTWW 9930 (if back on; also try 12105, 5085)
UT Sun 0030 on WRMI 9495 (may be previous edition)
UT Sun 0401 on WTWW 5830
UT Mon 0300 on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB

WORLD OF RADIO 1721 monitoring: confirmed on WTWW-1, 9475, Thursday May 15 at 2100 (not almost 2101 this time, I think), but signal is noticeably weaker than 9930; must be running low-powered at the moment, altho not so later.

Another no-show for our only scheduled time on WWRB. I was hopeful, since 5050 was active earlier in evening, May 16 at 0103, along with 9370, not 3185. At 0327 approx., preacher stops on 5050, as if WOR were imminent after the usual pause, but instead circa 0328.4 another preacher starts, and continues until suddenly off the air at 0343\*. Meanwhile, the webcast continued, but still at very low audio level.

Next: Saturday 0630 & 1430 on Hamburger Lokalradio, 7265-CUSB Saturday 2330 on WTWW, 9930 UT Sunday 0030 on WRMI, 9495 (may be previous edition) UT Sunday 0401 on WTWW, 5830 UT Monday 0300 on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB

WORLD OF RADIO 1721 monitoring: missed checking WTWW-2, 9930 at 2330 Saturday May 17, but at 0025 May 18, Brother Scare was playing so since Ted Randall's QSO show was absent, WOR probably was too; right? WOR 1721 confirmed on WTTW-1, 5830, UT Sunday May 18 from 0400:26. The WRMI-14, 9495 airing, UT Sunday May 18 at 0030 was however, again a replay of previous show 1720. Next: UT Monday 0300 on Area 51 via WBCQ, 5110v-CUSB (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. Hi Glenn, Hope all is well with you. Some extra time has come up. We will be airing WOR Wed and Thur 5pm-5:30pm eastern on 7490. Shortwave very strong. More listeners then ever. Cheers, (Allan Weiner, WBCQ, May 20, WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1721 monitoring: confirmed at 1315 Wednesday May 21 on WRMI, 9955. 1722 should be ready for first airing UT Thursday 0330 on WRMI, 9955; then Thu 1230 9955.

BACK ON 7490 WBCQ: Allan Weiner says WOR will be aired Wednesdays and Thursdays at 2100 UT, where some time has become available (current schedule shows both with `Amos & Andy` recreations; so finally done them all?). These timings mean that Wed at 2100 will be a repeat of the previous week's WOR, while Thu at 2100 should be a brand-new show (coincidentally at the same time it's on WTWW 9475). Check whether this start May 21 at 2100.

## Further airings:

UT Friday 0327v on WWRB 5050 (we hope; missing lately) Saturday 0630 & 1430 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB Saturday 2330 on WTWW 9930 (we hope; missing lately) UT Sunday 0030 on WRMI 9495 (may be previous episode) UT Sunday 0401 on WTWW 5830 UT Monday 0300 on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A [and non]. 9475, May 14 at 1918 check, WTWW-1 is off, 9930 WTWW-2 is still off, but 12105, WTWW-3 is on with TOM.

5085 & 5830 are still on May 15 at 1321, very poor and fair-good respectively; nothing yet on 9475, 9930 or 12105. By 1401, 12105 has come on with BS, and 9475 with SFAW but Australia audible underneath, which is unusual; 9930 still absent (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also SOUTH CAROLINA [non]

5829.982, WTWW, English sermon at 0413 UT, broadband signal in 5824 to 5836 kHz range, S=9+15dB or -60dBm. (Wolfgang B schel, log of this May 15 morning, noted at 0355 til 0510 UT slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9930 // 12105 BS, 9475 SFAW, May 15 at 2028, finally all three WTWW transmitters are back on the air at once! Still the same at 0059 UT May 16. At 0519, 5085 has replaced 9930 (presumably circa 0200), and at 0523, 12105 is unheard.

9475, 9930 and 12105, are all on at 1304 May 16, the first two presumably having just moved up from 5 MHz, as 9475 Australia was still clear at 1300 hourtop. For a while, the `day` frequencies had been starting at 1400, which is really too late to be running on 5 MHz band in the sprummer. Except for 12105 duplicating TOM on 9930, sked now seems back to normal (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Brother Stair TOM in English via WTWW on May 15 till 0605 12105 TWW 100 kW / 040 deg ENAm WTWW-3, scheduled 1400-0600 from 0610 5085 TWW 100 kW / 180 deg SoAm WTWW-2, scheduled 0200-1400 But no signal on 5085 before 0600 UT

http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/05/brother-stair-tom-in-english-viawtww.html

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

5085 is off and 9930 is still on, from WTWW-2, May 17 at 0057, and also after 0100; likewise 5830 off and 9475 still on; plus 12105 still on at 0119 May 17 with TOM // 9930. Apparently 0200 UT is still the night QSY time, altho this morning the QSY shifted back from 1400 to 1300.

5830, WTWW-1 fair and 5085, WTWW-2 poor, still on at 1343 Sunday May 18, and 12105, WTWW-3 not on yet. So they`re back to 1400v for the change to 9475 and 9930, having done it circa 1300 on May 16; still undecided.

- 12105, May 18 at 1959, this WTWW frequency is off. At 0544 May 19 check, it's on with TOM, hallelujahs // 5085. Just before 1400 UT May 19 I find that 5830 and 5085 are still on, with the latter barely audible until 1401.5\* but 9930 does not come up shortly and still off at 1426; nor does 12105, but at 1414 recheck it's on with TOM. 5830 cuts off at 1400.5\* and by \*1401, 9475 is on. See also SOUTH CAROLINA
- 9475 & 5830, May 20 at 0119, WTWW-1 is missing from both frequencies. The BS service is on both 12105 and 5085, so this date, 9930 is already off by 0100 instead of 0200 some nights such as UT May 18, QRMing 9925 The Mighty KBC at 0000-0200.
- At 0544 recheck May 20, 12105 is still on with BS but down to poor signal level. At 1403 May 20, 9930 WTWW-2 is on with BS, but 12105 WTWW-3 is not (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- 9474.972, WTWW Lebanon, distorted audio feed, overmodulated transmitter signal, at 2147 UT May 20.
- 9930.0, WTWW-2, TOM program from Lebanon TN, at 2155 UT on May 20, S=8 at -75dBm strength (Wolfgang B schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 20, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* U S A. 5109.762, WBCQ, English prayer sermon, at 0403 UT, May 15, audio signal only on upper flank up to 5117.3 kHz. S=9 at -70dBm strength. (Wolfgang B<sub>s</sub>schel, log of this May 15 morning, noted at 0355 til 0510 UT slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- 5110-, May 16 at 0103, no signal from WBCQ, which has usually been active during this Tue-Fri hour the past few weeks, with AWWW replays. At 0455 check, but not after 0500, I do get a weak CUSB signal on 5110-, in keeping with the new schedule of GFRN at 0200-0500 Tue-Sat only (but earlier on weekends with Area 51).
- 7490.2, May 17 at 0106, WBCQ with `AWWW` trying to reach Mal; 5-stepping the offset BFO on DX-398, I notice exactly the same het on WRNO, which happens to match on 7505.2. Previously, `BCQ had been considerably on the low side, so maybe will drift downward again.
- 7490.1, May 18 at 0124, WBCQ as expected has drifted down since yesterday on 7490.2; and now it no longer matches the offset of WRNO, still on 7505.2.
- 9330.88 approx., May 20 at 0125, WBCQ is almost 1 kHz off-frequency, on this transmitter now active only in the evenings. `This ministry is supported by viewers of discovery partners` -- and I thought this was a radio station!

5110-, CUSB, UT Tuesday May 20 at 0132, WBCQ again playing an `Allan Weiner Worldwide` episode, as he is explaining his studio- and other cams people are invited to web-watch during live broadcasts, which this is not. The schedule at http://schedule.wbcq.com/main.php?fn=sked&freq=5110 continues to show nothing before 0200 UT Tue-Sat, Good Friends Radio Network.

7490.065, WBCQ The Planet, Monticello, in English, some NY stories, at 2200 UT May 20, wandered some 5-10 hertz up (Wolfgang B<sub>s</sub>schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 20, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) What does NY mean in this context? (gh, DXLD)

\*\* U S A. 7505.248, very low power exciter of WRNO at 0448 UT, S=5 approx. -88dBm (Wolfgang B schel, log of this May 15 morning, noted at 0355 til 0510 UT slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WRNO New Orleans, carrier on 7506.242 kHz today at 0458 UT (Wolfgang B<sub>s</sub>schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Just noticed this as I tuned around 41 metres --- 7506, WRNO, LA, New Orleans with Pastor Ray Bently preaching on "How to Pray Perfectly" on Marinatha Radio (\*relatively\* sane variety preaching) talking about what happens to us after death, with much confidence and specificity. Begging for money from the Maranatha people at :22 and URL and postal address in San Diego. ID as WRNO Worldwide with email and postal addresses (Postal addy in Ft Worth Texas) at :25 and then into more Bible bumping. I guess the proper phrase is "they're BAAAAAACK" --- 5554+4+ they must have fixed their transmitter. There is still a slight buzz in the audio, particularly when they would pause and there was silence, but it was negligible and they were BOOMING in 0205-0230+ 21/May (Kenneth Vito Zichi, MI, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 7555.04 approx, May 17 at 0107, KJES with Spanish catechisms is somewhat off-frequency, obviously as compared to on-frequency 7570 WRMI et al. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 17775, KVOH, \*1400+ 19 May. Opening with English/Spanish IDs/frequencies and a pre-recorded episode of "Buenas Nuevas para La Familia". Poor on (presumed) ground-wave from Rancho Simi 110 miles North of here (Dan Sheedy, Swami's Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I`ve always wondered whether ``buenas nuevas`` is a gringo missionarism, as into standard Spanish would never translate news as ``nuevas`` (noun), rather ``noticias`` (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

- \*\* U S A. 5935, WWCR, English, female pastor sermon, heard phone number given, also Saxophone music, wide signal in 5928 to 5941 kHz range, S=9+30dB or -51dBm. (Wolfgang B schel, log of this May 15 morning, noted at 0355 til 0510 UT slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* U S A [non]. U.K.(non), Frequency change of Adventist World Radio in Arabic to Eu/Af: 1800-1900 NF 11955 MOS 300 kW / 190 deg to EaAf, ex 12055. Video from May 20: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MyzNiGoyDF0&feature=youtu.be

(DX RE MIX NEWS #853 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 22, 2014, via DXLD)

- \*\* U S A. 690, UT Friday May 16 at 0501 UT, KGGF Coffeyville KS is playing the Marine Hymn, in its rotating patriotic music sign-off, and as always followed at 0502 UT by Taps (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* U S A. Pending shake-up at 810 San Francisco The FaceBook page "Former Listeners of KGO" is reporting that KGO 810 is now dropping the syndicated talk shows and returning to locally produced talk shows like they had before. The "former listeners" group was formed in December 2011 after Cumulus Media switched the format, and fired long time local talk show hosts like Gene Burns and Ray Taliaferro. The reporters at the FaceBook page cite reliable sources, but nothing is official yet. At this writing, nothing is mentioned of this on KGO dot com (Rick Barton, AZ, May 20, dxldyg via DXLD)

That could be good news, thanks. I'm still looking for a balanced, reasonable talk station to fill the KGO void. Closest I have come so far is LBC-London, and it is good but not great (for me). I can still recall the schedule of the good-old KGO and it was pretty good . . . ef Vancouver (Eric FlodÈn, BC, ibid.)

\*\* U S A. KPRM came booming into Chicago with Classic Country last night on 870, apparently using their full 50 kW power and omnidirectional antenna. Their nighttime authorization is only 1 kW with a sharp null toward the southeast. They ran an ID announcing that they are a iclear channel station with fifty thousand watts of powerî. What is with these Minnesota stations? Have they ever heard of the FCC? Do they even look at their license to see what their operating parameters are supposed to be? The FCC Field Operations Bureau certainly needs to take a trip to Minnesota and pay a few visits (audioguy, participant, May 20, Radioinsight.com via Artie Bigley, DXLD)

\*\* U S A. 1110, UT Friday May 16 at 0128 UT, KFAB is sufficiently

nullable to hear something in English, but S Asian accent, inviting requests to be called in for next show; says he will be back tomorrow morning, and then Tuesday night, bit of S Asian music. Deep fades; 0130 UT canned ID in English as ``---- Radio, KVTT, 11-10 AM, Mineral Wells-Dallas-Fort Worth``, and more S Asian vocal music. Radio-locator.com shows slogan as ``FunAsia Radio``. Wikipedia link to program schedule shows different hosts at those times: http://www.funasia.net/radio.php?radio\_id=1 And includes, Hindu, Moslem, Christian shows; for Indians, Pakistanis, Bangladeshis and Nepalis (at least).

Official KVTT sunset in May is 0130 UT (June & July: 0145), but unaware of this, I did not note any abrupt disappearance. 50 kW day pattern

http://transition.fcc.gov/ftp/Bureaus/MB/Databases/AM\_DA\_patterns/
1390900-111898.pdf

shows major lobe to the SE, secondary to the SSW and tertiary to the NW. However now it would be on 39 kW for Critical Hours, pattern: http://radio-locator.com/cgi-bin/pat?call=KVTT&service=AM&status=L&hours=C Licensee is Texoma Broadcasting, and it does reach into southern OK (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

- \*\* U S A. 1220, May 16 at 1201 UT, local news of a fatality on ``K-68 near Ottawa``, so it`s KOFO Ottawa KS, 250/40/47 watts U1. Remnant of skywave remains on the upper band; today`s Enid sunrise 1124 UT, with about 10 minutes to go for earliest in about 3 weeks (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* U S A. 1470, May 16 at 1206 UT, promo for Newstalk 14-70, KYYW; for weather see kyyw.com and then hour three of Bill Bennett`s `Morning in America` with guest host Mark Davis. Abilene TX before skywave fades out (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* U S A. Phoenix shuffle on 1480 --- With the cancellation of the Randi Rhodes show by Premier Radio Network, KPHX 1480 in Phoenix has shifted some afternoon talk shows to different times shows that were formerly carried as delayed, taped programs. The station to now carries Thom Hartmann (noon to three) live, and Alan Colmes (three to six) live. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, AZ, May 20, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* U S A. Rockland County's WRCR AM To Move West and Boost Power from 500 Watts to 10,000

According to an article in RadioInsight, http://radioinsight.com/blog/headlines/88596/fcc-am-auction-complete/ the station located in Spring Valley won an FCC auction which will enable the hefty power increase. They will build a transmitting site in Ramapo, to the west of their current location. Though not mentioned in the article, I believe part of the deal is that WRCR will also be moving up the dial to the far upper frequency of 1700 AM.

As WRCR is one of only two radio stations in the county (WRKL 910 AM broadcasts in Polish), the power boost and potentially clearer frequency seems to be very good news for that area.

http://radioinsight.com/community/topic/rockland-countys-wrcr-am-to-move-west-and-boost-power-from-500-watts-to-10000/ (via Artie Bigley, DXLD) NY, north of NYC. Plus 15+ replies

\*\* U S A. `PIRATEÍ RADIO DOTS THE SUBURBS

By Katheleen Conti | Globe Staff May 15, 2014

https://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/regionals/south/2014/05/14/enforcement-against-pirate-radio-hurts-underserved-communities-advocates-say/3p7CuAZhPMhBbcUWafTETL/
story.html

A government-enforced shutdown last month of three unlicensed community radio stations providing programming to ethnically diverse neighborhoods underscored the prevalence of so-called ipirate radioî not just in Boston, but also in its suburbs.

Of the three stations raided by federal agents, one transmitted out of Everett, Brockton, and Boston, while another was solely Brockton-based, according to the US attorneyis Boston office, which initiated the cases.

Since 2003, the Federal Communications Commission has taken enforcement action 37 times against illegal radio stations operating in Eastern Massachusetts. The bulk of those actions have come against low-frequency stations in Brockton broadcasting to the cityís vast Cape Verdean and Haitian populations.

Although illegal, such radio stations are a vital resource in immigrant and minority neighborhoods that are underserved by commercial mainstream broadcasters, advocates contend. In addition to playing music with an ethnic flair thatís heard nowhere else on the dial, many unlicensed community radio stations feature talk programming that encourages listener participation on topical issues such as immigration, local and international politics, and sports from back home.

iItís sad to see that [federal agents] shut them down, because even though they are pirate stations, they truly are the main source of communication in those communities,î said Yessenia Alfaro, director of organizing at Chelsea Collaborative, a social justice nonprofit. iIt certainly has a negative impact when they shut these down. They are

the main outreach vehicle for people who speak a different language.î

Some outfits, like Radio Uganda Boston in Waltham, opt to have an online presence outside of radio, but many new immigrants and low-income families have no access to computers or canít afford the monthly bills for Internet access, Alfaro said. Many also cannot read, even in their native language, rendering radio the only source for information, she added.

Despite the potential for tens of thousands of dollars in fines and seizure of transmitting equipment, ipiratesî continue to take the risk in order to serve the underserved, said Bruce Conti, a longtime radio enthusiast from Nashua and the international radio columnist for the National Radio Club magazine DX News.

Even if they have tried to operate legally, most individuals have been priced out of potential station ownership under relaxed FCC rules that have the majority of radio stations owned by large corporations, like Clear Channel and CBS, Conti said in an e-mail. There are also no available open broadcasting channels to be had in Greater Boston.

iSo an interested buyer can only wait for an existing radio station to become available/for sale, again driving up the cost of entry,î he wrote. iLicensed commercial radio stations in the Boston metro area have abandoned service to the inner city, so most . . . pirate radio stations in Boston are filling a void.î

Among those shut down last month was Radio Tele Boston, which transmitted at 100.1 FM out of homes on Walnut Street in Everett and North Manchester Street in Brockton, and two locations in the Mattapan and Dorchester neighborhoods of Boston, according to court documents. The operator was listed as Gerlens Cesar of Brockton. A man who answered the phone of a number listed for iCesar Gerlensî in Brockton stated that he only spoke Creole and was unable to comment.

The other Brockton station, 88.7 FM, was transmitting out of a two-family house on Crescent Street. Federal agents sent a notice last August to building owner Solange Germain after receiving a complaint that the station was causing interference with Boston station WERS on 88.9 FM. Agents seized the stationís equipment last month. Germain could not be reached for comment.

The stations were shut down for violating the Communications Act of 1934, which bans operation of unlicensed radio stations. Due to the FCCís limited enforcement staff, some stations operate unmonitored for long periods of time, said Assistant US Attorney Christine Wichers, who is prosecuting the three cases from last month.

Even when the FCC becomes aware of an unlicensed station, usually after complaints from licensed operators, it sends multiple notices to operators asking them to shut down voluntarily before taking more aggressive action, such as seizing equipment or issuing fines, she added.

iI think itís sort of silly when people say the FCC is trying to put out of business good community stations serving people,î Wichers said. iTo me itís like, ëLook at that person ó theyíre so nice driving the elderly to appointments, but they donít have a driverís license.íî

Some pirate station operators will voluntarily shut down after receiving a violation notice from the FCC, but only temporarily. In many cases, even after equipment is seized, the same pirate station will be back on the air within months, based on the number of FCC notices issued to repeat offenders.

Brockton City Councilor Moises M. Rodrigues said that 199 percent of the elected officials in this community have gone on those stations, including me.1 Among the most popular in the community is Brockton Heat, an unlicensed station that serves the Cape Verdean and Haitian communities, he said.

The stations iprovide some valuable vital information to the community, î Rodrigues said. iNone of us connected or otherwise are proponents of illegality in any way, but there is a great need for information reaching into these bilingual communities. Especially if you're a bilingual community, other than the Hispanic community, you have absolutely no way of getting or gathering information at all from ilicensed radio stations in the area.

While an increasing number of unlicensed station operators are making the switch from radio to the unregulated online world, many still choose traditional radio because equipment like transmitters, especially used gear, is relatively inexpensive, said T. Barton Carter, a professor of communication law at Boston University. Opening a station can cost tens of thousands of dollars up front, not including application and certification fees, whereas illegal stations can run on just a few hundred dollarsí worth of equipment easily purchased online, he said.

iThere just is an availability issue,î Carter said. A large commercial station, he said, is going to try to find the largest audience, iso you can argue that that does prevent people from being served ó very specific minorities.î

To address this, Congress approved the Local Community Radio Act, which opened up low-power FM stations for noncommercial uses, but

there were only a few of those licenses available in the region. A window to apply for a low-power FM license opened briefly last fall, from Oct. 17 to Nov. 14, but it is unknown when or whether there will be another opportunity, Carter said.

This is why Radio Uganda Boston is only available online, said Geoffrey Nsereko, the stations public relations director. Organizers attempted to lease air time at a licensed radio station, but at \$2,500 for each three-hour block, it was an investment the station could not afford, Nsereko said.

Priced out of the airwaves and not interested in operating without a license, Radio Uganda Boston has been streaming solely online since 2009 from Waltham, home to one of the largest concentrations of Ugandans outside of Africa. The station has become a igo-toî source for immigrants learning to navigate a new culture and trying to find local resources, such as job postings and health centers. It is also a mandatory stop for Ugandan politicians, he said.

Nsereko, best known in the community by his radio name, iSimple,î said he has noticed as of late that more users are accessing the site from smartphones, giving programming greater reach. Research shows that an increasing number of people now own the Internet-capable cellphones, which could have an impact on the future of pirate radio.

Even cellphone companies known for inexpensive plans are offering smartphones to their customers, said Alexandra Babbist, program manager at the nonprofit Watch Community Development Corporation in Waltham, where she teaches English as a second language, mainly to Central Americans.

Many new immigrants have pay-as-you-go cellphones, she said, iand all of those are smartphones now, so they may have more access to the Internet . . . even if they don't have a computer at home.î

Although being online allows Radio Uganda Boston to reach a global audience, Nsereko said, having a home on the broadcast dial would be ideal to reach those with no computer or Internet access.

iI think itis very important for our people coming in, immigrants. It gives them a sense of direction in terms of starting a new life,î Nsereko said. iWeid love to be on the dial radio.î (Boston Globe, via Allan Dunn, NRC-AM via DXLD)

\*\* U S A. Glenn, I was in Virginia Beach May 10 and 11 and heard the 1920s network being aired by a translator on 99.3 MHz. During the top of the hour legal ID, it identified as WHRO - HD3 and the translator was IDed as being in Virginia Beach with call sign and frequency. I

was driving a car so did not get the call sign of the translator written down. A check of the web site for 1920s network does not show the translator so I presume it is very new. The programming was very refreshing to my ancient ears (Joe Buch, Florida, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That's the same network I have been hearing relayed on 13560+ kHz. WTFDA FM Database shows: W257BV WHRV-HD3 99.3 VIRGINIA BEACH VA 0.25 0.25 0.0 0.0 36.4857 76.1207 PUBLIC RADIO FOR HAMPTON ROADS NEWS/TALK/VARIETY

(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENIING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. I noticed something strange, in Rifle, Colorado, on the cable system (it's Comcast). In Rifle you get CBS from KREX TV, ABC from KJCT & KMGH, NBC from KUSA, My Network TV from KTVD & FOX from KDVR. Rifle is closer to Grand Junction than Denver so it would seem logical to me that Rifle should get its NBC programing from KKCO, not KUSA, & FOX from KFQX, not KDVR any guesses as to why it is set up this way and why aren't the Grand Junction stations fighting this? You would think they would want the viewers (Paul Armani, CO, ABDX via DXLD)

\*\* U S A. A bit of tropo enhancement from the north heralded by 90.1 KHCC Hutchinson, Radio Kansas overcoming KUCO Edmond OK, May 20 at 1350, continuing with NPR instead of Marketplace on KUCO. So I soon rotate TV antenna north and check for signals:

RF 45, May 20 at 1417, KSNW Wichita, the #1 signal from there is in but not above breakup level with NBC on 3-1. Until recently, the KSNW subchannels had been fallow, what a waste! Now there is a 3-2 with Telemun as in the PSIP (add -do), during steamy soap opera `Decisiones`. The NBC affiliation probably led to this. I compare it to KTUZ-29 in OK, and find during a commercial break with local ads in OKC, KSNW is running PSAs. W9WI.com does not list a single Telemundo (sub)channel anywhere in Kansas or even Missouri, but now can add this one. (And only one other in OK, RF 11, KSWO 7.2 Lawton. So not on KUOK RF 35 Woodward either, despite sharing KTUZ transmitter with rival Univisiûn?) (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* VATICAN. 15570, May 18 at 0541, VR very good in Luso Portuguese to Africa; while 15595 with Latin mass is much weaker. Per Aoki the difference is:

15570, 500 kW at 175 degrees

15595, 100 kW at 107 degrees (on Sundays, but 250 kW other days)

[non]. 15440, May 20 at 1228, 1 kHz tone stops, dead air; 1230 upcut join in progress Vatican Radio theme, `Laudetur Iesus Christus` ID in Russian and then in English, ``You are listening to Vatican Radio`s Russian-language program``. Relay via IBB, Tinang, PHILIPPINES, as the

USG continues to grant preferential treatment only to the RCC, violating SoChaS (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* VATICAN [non?]. Members, Some classify this as Vatican City, but since the site is outside the Papal enclave, I will refer to it under Italy. Thank you to Glenn, and in particular DXLD 14-20. Luigi Cobisi reported that on May 8 the quartet of towers serving 1530 kHz at 42 02 51N, 12 20 33E was destroyed. It is a sad end to a well engineered site. The Waniewski photo webpage is one of the few places where the images of the towers can be retained. 73's and 88's (Dan Goldfarb, mwmasts yg via DXLD)

http://waniewski.de/id208.htm
(Sylvain Naud, Portneuf, QC, CAN. ibid.)

It is true that I have not been messing with the tedium of specifying SMG as in Italy, an extra-territorial enclave attached to Vatican proper, thus avoiding discussion like below. Take note, those who care to make the distinxion (Glenn Hauser, editor, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I don't agree, SMG TX center is a different country area like VATICAN STATE instead, never Italy - yet.

Other examples are at present: Monaco, Andorra, San Marino, Gibraltar, Ceuta, Mellila, Guant·namo, Stepanakert etc. Former Goa, Trieste, West-Berlin, Hong Kong. etc.

Vatican State includes some areas, like SMG, Vatican City in downtown Rome, as well as some additional areas, like Summer Holiday residence of the Popes etc.

Although sited within Castel Gandolfo, the Summer Holiday residence is afforded extraterritorial status as one of the properties of the Holy See and is not under the jurisdiction of Castel Gandolfo or Italy.

All agreed by a contract with Italy by 1929 year. SMG erected in 1931 though.

http://www.xklsv.org/viewwiki.php?

title=Extraterritorial%20properties%20of%20the%20Holy%20See

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vatican\_Radio

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Castel Gandolfo

http://beforeitsnews.com/blogging-citizen-journalism/2013/03/vatican-city-not-

what-or-where-you-think-it-is-2446270.html

http://bigthink.com/strange-maps/601-bigger-than-you-think-the-vatican-and-its-annexes

Santa Maria di Galeria Vatican Radio, set up in 1931 by broadcasting

pioneer Guglielmo Marconi and run by the Jesuit order, acquired a 400-hectare (4 sq. km, 1.5 sq. mi) area 18 km (11 mi) north of Rome at Santa Maria di Galeria for its transmitters. The Italian government granted the site extraterritorial status in 1952. 73 wb (Wolfgang B\_schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* WESTERN SAHARA. S01WS, REPUBLICA ARABE SAHARAUI DEMOCRATICA on air por curto tempo --- Boa noite amigos, Est· ativa a estaÁ"o de radioamadores com indicativo S01WS, REPUBLICA ARABE SAHARAUI DEMOCRATICA. Antiga posses"o espanhola chamada Rio de Oro, noroeste da ·frica. Pals DXCC rarlssimo de ser encontrado on air [sic]. Ele tem sido escutado nas QRG abaixo:

14201

28485

28505

7148

Tambèm em 15m. S01WS sÛ faz o modo fonia em SSB, e seu tempo de operaÁ"o est·limitado; portanto, ter um QSL de um lugar t"o raro vale ‡ pena investir numa possìvel escuta. Vou dedicar o fim de semana e a segunda feira para pegar essa estaÁ"o. O seu manager È o mesmo de 3 estaÁles que estiveram ativas em; abril de 1988 e dezembro de 1988 com o lend·rio indicativo SORASD (Republica Arabe Saharaui Democratica), S01A e janeiro de 1989 S01MZ, QSL via EA2JG. Boa sorte a todos e Ûtimas escutas (Alfredo Meurer Jr., ZY1-0001SWL, May 16, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Boa noite a todos, Est· mostrado num site de Spots que S01WS parou de transmitir nessa madrugada de hoje do Brasil por volta das 0700z e n"o esteve ativo hoje; n"o se sabe se ele voltar· a operar? esperamos que sim, pois ele n"o teve ativo nem em 3 dias de operaÁ"o e se ele encerrou as suas atividades foi uma pena, pois S0 È um paÌs DXCC rarissimo e esteve off por v·rios anos e essa DXpedition a S0 seria uma grande chance de muitos terem confirmado mais um paÌs DXCC na lista dos 50 mais raros. 73 GD DX (Alfredo Meurer Jr, ZY1-0001SWL, May 18, ibid.)

Boa noite a todos, A estaÁ"o S01WS Saara Ocidental continua ativa; hoje deu Ínfase · banda de 6m e ontem a banda de 10m, QRGs preferidas; 28480, 28485, modo somente fonia.

Ela esteve QRT por dois dias mas retornou a sua atividade. Hoje eu n"o a escutei e ontem tambèm, ela esteve ativa ontem na nossa tarde, por volta de 2100z por pouco tempo. OperaÁ"o espor·dica, na escuta que eu tive dele, ele fala um certo tempo e depois entra em QRT.

Essa È a tÌpica estaÁ"o; "caÁa gato e rato", ela aparece, depois desaparece, torna a aparecer horas depois e fica nisso. Espero que os colegas tenham a sorte de escut·-la, pois SO È uma estaÁ"o muito rara

- e n"o se sabe atÈ quando SO1WS estar· realmente ativa no Saara Ocidental. 73 (Alfredo Meurer Jr, ZY1-0001SWL, May 21, ibid.)
- \*\* ZAMBIA. 5915, Zambia Nat. B.C., May 21 1600-1602+, 23432-b/out, vernacular, Fish eagle IS, Drums, Announce by man, Drums music (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121, ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- \*\* ZANZIBAR. Good evening, if like me you enjoy African music you can't go far wrong with Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation, Tanzania on 11735 kHz any time from 1500 UT. But on Sunday between 1700 and 1800 there is a program which appears to be the Top 10. Excellent music and plenty of ID's, i.e. ZBC and Tanzania. even tho the language is Swahili. At 1800 there is 10 minutes + news in English and reception of late has been very good. Hope you enjoy (73's John Hoad, UK, Sent from my iPad, 1849 UT May 18, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD) John is a WOR Podcast listener
- \*\* ZANZIBAR. Videos from May 16, 2014: Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation in English 1802 on 11735 Dole https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=um7v1rWEqsU&feature=youtu.be 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Among scores of other clips

UNIDENTIFIED. 960, May 17 at 0502 UT, the `Let It Be` station again, playing instrumental-only version of the Beatles' song at the same hour as previously heard a few times, so a midnite ritual? Perhaps a (pseudo?)-Catholic station? This time it's strong enough that I can get a rough bearing on it underneath the KGWA Fox-hole open-carrier, not just at the KGWA null --- and it's sort of north/south, which rules out WABG in Mississippi. That would fit for XEK Nuevo Laredo, but we already know and frequently hear it playing the Mexican NA and/or XEW chimes at this time. KGKL in TX and KMA in IA are ruled out, since they both run ABC News during this pentaminute, sometimes reverbing against each other.

KNEB in Scottsbluff NE, 350 watts, is also on ABC network, but not sure what they are doing; C&W format listed in NRC AM Log 2013. KIMP in Mount Pleasant, NE TX is SS:Nostalgia, with 75 watts at night, not logged yet. Further ones N/S-ish with less than 100 watts night are KFLN in Baker MT, C&W Real Country, Fox; KLTF, Little Falls MN, talk, Fox, etc. There is another Mexican a little further beyond XEK: Saltillo, Coahuila, XEKS, ranchera/internacional format, per IRCA Mexican Log 2013. There's some internet resource identifying which stations are playing which music, but I've never tried to use it, especially if must be in real time, and I don't see how it can be anywhere near complete (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED [and non]. 1120, May 15 at 0605 UT, romantic music in Spanish with KMOX easily nulled, otherwise making SAH of 5 Hz. Seems to alternate slow tunes with upbeat banda ones, seguÉs, and fades during announcements. 0613 UT, `La Nueva 11-20 AM``; next break a partial phone number (for requests?) -5100. I could not detect any certain religious overtones, tho some romantic-sounding tunes have lyrix that are axually lovesongs to Jesus.

So is it KEOR Catoosa/Tulsa (site really Sperry where we visited it), a.k.a. Radio Victoria, daytimer at night? The KMOX null to the SE is best for this, which is slightly south of east.

Or is it KTXW, Manor/Austin TX, new station from the south with 155 watts at night, which had been Spanish, but per a report in radio-insight.com was to change format May 12 to English religion, formerly on KLGO 1490? Is this confirmed around Austin?

Or neither? Anything happening with the ``silent as of Oct 2002`` (per NRC AM Log 2013) 250-watt daytimer, KLIM in Limûn CO? Unlikely it`s a Mexican, as there are none in the north/east.

May 15 from 1650 to 1702 UT, I monitor by groundwave KEOR; for enough signal I have to use the caradio and drive around the block to find a quiet enough spot amid the neighborhood noise level. Mostly music which may be partly secular, one song about ``ruiseòor`` = nightingale, or were they saying ``Jes'-seòor``? But after a 1656 UT ID as ``Radio Victoria, 11-20 --- esperanza``, definitely praise music with those key-shifts upward; 1701 UT ToH ID as ``Radio Victoria, KEOR, 11-20 AM, Tulsa, Oclajoma`` --- everything including the call letters pronounced only in Spanish; ads, and into talk show `Conflictos del Corazûn`.

1120, May 17 at 0603 UT, no sign of the Spanish/music station in KMOX null that I was hearing during this hour May 15, nor was it there on May 16, making me suspect KEOR OK more as an occasional nighttime cheater. KTXW has supposedly been calling itself ``La Zeta 11-20``, rather than ``La Nueva 11-20`` which is what I thought I heard (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 2660.02 approx, May 18 at 0142, JBA carrier a smidge on the hi side, which I suspect is KGLD Tyler TX harmonic as previously heard on 2 x 1330. Noise level not too bad here; my streetlight does not ignite until \*0147/0148 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4965: No puedo identificar esta emisora que escuchÈ en 4965 kHz a las 0941 UT. Aoki A14 menciona a Radio Santa MÛnica de Wanchaq, Per', con 1 kW, de las 0800 a las 0400, y a R·dio Alvorada, de Parintins, Amazonas, Brasil, con 5 kW, de las 2200 a las 0200.

Eibi A14 solo a Parintins, de las 0840 a las 0200 horas. http://youtu.be/2tJ\_pVp8FRY

No alcanzo a discernir (por el QRN y por lo bajo del audio) si esto es portuguÈs o quÈ. Alguna idea? (Rodolfo Tizzi http://cx2abp.blogspot.com/ May 19 condiglista yg via DXLD)

DespuÈs escucho el audio y te doy mi opiniÛn, Rodolfo, mas quisiera adelantarte que hace mucho no se reporta como activa a la estaciÛn peruana. 73s (Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina, ibid.)

Si Arnaldo, me imagino que las posibilidades que sea Per son m·s que remotas. De todos modos, a esa hora las brasileras oscilaban mucho de seòal, Radio Visiûn de Chiclayo segula ahl en 4790, como casi toda la madrugada, y Quillabamba y Rebelde andaban forcejeando a ver quien predominaba en 5025. Lo aleatorio de esta grabaciûn no deja entrever el tlpico estilo matinal de las brasileras. 73! (Rodolfo Tizzi, ibid.)

Rodolfo: La grabaciÛn no es lo suficientemente clara. A mi me pasa lo mismo; tengo una portadora en esa fq, pero pr·cticamente sin audio y no he podido determinar quÈ es. Por el horario descartarÈ a Santa MÛnica (que hace varios aòos que no la escucho y presumo que est·inactiva). Me inclino por Alvorada salvo que sea una emisora de Asia no listada. 73's (Miguel Castellino, ibid.)

Hace un rato un amigo alem·n de Youtube me comenta que el escucha a los 0:04 del clip la frase "ondas tropicais", lo cual deja a Alvorada con todos los n'meros de la rifa en la mano. El amigo alem·n se llama Matthias, no Dumbo, por las dudas :) (Rodolfo Tizzi, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. TAIWAN/CHINA Monitoring log of some SOH and others Taiwan broadcasts, and accompanied CHN mainland jamming of CNR and Firedrake mx. Slot 0600 to 1000 UT May 17, heard mainly in Australia and Japan remote SDR posts: at 06-10 UT on May 17:

13014.971, UNID Chinese program, Fu Hsing BS? from TWN? male and female, interspersed by pop mx, even German pop songs of last decade heard, 09-11 UT, May 17 (wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 17)

UNIDENTIFIED Chinese light mixed program heard again on May 18. TAIWAN[?] 13014.962 noted again around 0930 UT May 18, S=8 or -80dBm signal, logged on remote unit at Nagoya Japan. Some harmonic or intermodulation mixture signal? Formula? Please help. 73 wb (Wolfgang B schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

SOH Xi Wang Zhi Sheng per Aoki (Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

13015v SOH? I asked some Chinese and Japanese DXers, to check this channel. And Keith Perron in Taiwan asked too. Program is totally different to usual SOH political endless boring content, no MaoTseDung, Falun Gong matter political discussions heard at all yet, Rather light music mixture and talk radio private station program. vy73 wolfy df5sx (B\_schel, 1024 UT, ibid.) Ever resolved? (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15650, May 17 at 0104, weak broadcast signal noticed here as I was checking Greece on 15630; I would have paid more attention had I known that nothing else at all is listed on 15650 except as an alternate Grecian frequency, but all three of its transmitters are accounted for (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 17089.2 // 17179.2, May 20 at 1331, clix exactly once a second, sounding like WWV and in fact synchronized with it, but no markers on the minutes or announcements. Some coastal station idling? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

## UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

#### ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1722:

Thank you for what you do sir. You are an asset to our hobby. Hopefully this helps (Jeff Murri, with a contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com)

### TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FUTURELY:

Thanks to Tim Hendel, AL, for a check in the mail to P 0 Box 1684, Enid 0K 73702.

I know that you keep quite busy helping us radio people find their way, and we appreciate it. A small token, hope it helps (Jerry KC5YRE Ervine, Mission TX, with an MO to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702)

LANGUAGE LESSONS See also OKLAHOMA [and non]

QRM vs QRN vs QRI??

Re: I thought the M in QRM stood for `manmade` and the N in QRN stood for `natural` (Tim Kridell, IRCA via DXLD)

Tim is correct. QRM = manmade interference (i.e., dimmer switches, halogen bulbs, power lines, etc.), QRN = natural interference (i.e., lightning strikes). 73, Rick Dau on the road in Davenport, Iowa and

dealing with plenty of hotel room QRM!! (Rick Dau, ibid.)

Really ?!! I guess I learned something today. In my 50 years in the hobby I always thought the QRN meant any kinda interference from noise and QRM was interference from other stations. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, IL/WI, ibid.)

YOU have it right, Kaz ;-) (Steve / VE7SL, ibid.)

Actually does it matter if it is M or N. It is all noise and it interferes with reception (Larry K8YYY R. Fravel, ibid.)

Once upon a time ---- it was earlier -Shinnston, Northern Territories Harrison County, West Virginia

Interesting thread. I don't care about the small stuff. However I was taught back in the late 70's that QRM was another station interfering and QRN was lightning, lights or anything that makes a buzz (Todd Skaine, Woodbury, MN, 2010 or car radio, ibid.)

Yep, that's my understanding too Todd. Electrical buzz would be QRN (from the mid 60s) hi! Blowtorch splatter would be QRM. I have QRN coming down the mains. The noise was reduced by about 20% tops using a mains filter viz.

http://www.reo.co.uk/cnw\_101\_single-phase\_filter\_with\_high\_attenuation1?

I was just grateful each % point. Best wishes and 73's (Barry :-) Davies, Carlisle UK, ibid.)

We're not the only ones to have this debate. http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?223710-QRN-or-QRM I have no particular insight on the matter, but perhaps this speaks to the phenomenon known as QRD - interference caused by disagreement? (Saul Chernos, ibid.)

18 pages there since 2009y. In the QRZ.com thread, one link to a list of Q-codes shows that QRI is not assigned, so I suggest we start using that to mean Interference from another station; then the distinxion between noises, QRManmade and QRNatural can be useful. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Hmmm... QRI not taken?
<http://www.qsl.net/w5www/qcode.html>
TD (Theo Donnelly, ibid.)

QRI is newly taken --- it means "I can't take it anymore" - as in "There's a big opening to Peru, interference is killing the band, I

can't take it anymore!" Sort of a DXer's Q-code for going postal (Saul Chernos, ibid.)

In the ham world, interference from another station is considered as being man-made, hence the use of QRM (Russ Edmunds, 15 mi NNW of Philadelphia, ibid.)

WORLD OF HOROLOGY

THOSE TERRIBLE GRUNDIG "CLOCKS" IN THEIR RADIOS

First, I realize that when we buy a shortwave radio, especially an "economy" model, the built-in clock is a rather minor detail and not one we choose a radio over. However, the built-in clock is a rather easy and CHEAP FEATURE to implement with an accurate one, especially since the digital display is already part of the radio.

How do I know?

Well, a couple years back when my 30+ year old self winding Seiko watch (NO battery, it mechanically rewound with wrist movement) got to where it was losing about 10 minutes a day, I decided it was time to buy a new watch. I didn't want to spend a lot as I anticipated getting the Seiko cleaned and serviced. While at K-Mart I saw a very nice looking analog battery watch, nice metal band, and it 'looked' expensive. The price? On sale for a "fin" (5 dollars) plus tax. I didn't expect much out of it, but surprise! It kept, for all practical purposes, perfect time, being off by only a couple seconds after owning it for months! The only thing I REALLY missed on it was a day/date function.

The Seiko never did get sent to the shop, and after owning the K-Mart watch for nearly two years the face and band was showing some wear, no big deal as I'm not that vain. However, my sister-in-law gave me a very nice Seiko Solar analog watch for Christmas. Light recharges the battery, and it does seem to keep absolutely perfect time (it should, it wasn't cheap).

The upshot of this post is that it doesn't have to be expensive to implement accuracy in modern watches (that K-Mart watch proves that). All modern timepieces, digital or analog depend on a quartz Xtal for accuracy, even if built into a radio! I believe that most if not all use a common frequency (32???? KHz) and therefore should have similar accuracy if any care at all is exercised in designing/QCing the product.

But apparently Grundig doesn't care about Quality Control. Of the

three Grundigs I presently have (S350, G6 & S450DLX), NOT ONE keeps even reasonably close time. The G6 is presently 14 minutes slow, and its time was set just about a month ago!! The S450DLX is about 3 minutes fast, and I set its time right after I bought it in April.

Now, the clock in my Icom R-75 receiver keeps very good time, but then, it's a "mega-buck" receiver compared to the Grundigs. . . C-mon Grundig, YOU CAN DO BETTER THAN THAT!

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73 de (Phil, KO6BB, Atchley http://www.qsl.net/ko6bb/ (Web Page) http://www.ipernity.com/home/591785 swl at qth.net via DXLD)

INTERNATIONAL RADIO FOR DISASTER RELIEF, JUNE 4-5

The HFCC's International Radio for Disaster Relief project is still on track for a major test of international shortwave broadcasters on June 4-5. I'll definitely pass along anything I hear in terms of QSL's and frequencies. The HFCC has let me know that the test will focus on CIRAF Zone 54 (Indonesia). I will be focusing on writing an overview for the NGO community, and will make this available to you as well. (Mehmet Burk, ReliefAnalysis.com, Columnist: CQ Plus, May 14, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi there DXers. Since Fraunhofer is involved, there is a good "chance" that these transmissions will be another demonstration for the DRM system. The DRM Consortium is quite active in promoting the idea of using DRM for "disaster communications". All this is connected to a regional media convention in Jakarta June 4-5. website for the event: http://www.abu.org.my/Event-\_-ccdrr.aspx
I also have contacted the HFCC regarding all this, but not reply so

far. Regards (Harald Kuhl, Germany, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See OKLAHOMA; U S A

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM

MOUNTAINS BETTER THAN WORLD TRADE CENTER FOR VHF/UHF ANTENNA SITES

Is the new antenna array on top of the Freedom Tower online? Has it affected the range of the NYC stations? (Bruce Carter, ABDX via DXLD)

Not only is the new antenna array not online, there aren't even any stations that have signed contracts to use the site, nor have any filed for CPs to move there.

The WTC site is not an ideal one for FM. For most FMs it creates new short spacings to stations in Philadelphia and Delaware. It also requires such low ERP levels that it would significantly reduce building penetration in Midtown Manhattan.

It is potentially a better site for TV, but in a market with very low OTA penetration, the move may not provide enough improvement to be cost effective. It's a huge cap ex line to "fix" something that already works adequately (Scott Fybush, ibid.)

I guess building penetration is a big deal in NYC. It sort of flies in the face of conventional logic which is to get your signal up as far as possible:

In the first couple of decades of KTXT Lubbock, they had 10 WATTS - not kW - off of a 600 foot tower. Their signal was solid for 30 miles and covered all of Lubbock. On a reasonably good day you could get them 100 miles away in a car. Of course the terrain is flat. But contrast that with KOHM, which was 5 WATTS and their antenna was on top of the high school building. It only got a few miles - enough to cover the high school audience but no more.

The early days of WPOZ Orlando was 3 kW, but off of a 1500 foot tower 20 East of Orlando. It was truthfully said that they put a better signal over Lakeland - about 80 miles away, than WCIE Lakeland put over Orlando when they were 50 kW but off of a 500 foot tower even though they were 20 miles closer.

There are additional examples, like Albuquerque stations which operate off short sticks on top of a Mountain at relatively low ERP's, but easily cover way into Arizona. I can get some of them in Flagstaff - which admittedly is also on a mountain (Bruce Carter, ibid.)

The ABQ Sandia Crest FMs aren't fully height derated. The full class C signals up there run about 20 kW ERP. That's plenty for both building penetration and wide area coverage.

Every market is a little different when it comes to the complex alchemy of FM height versus power. Even NYC vs. Boston and Philadelphia are different animals.

I have engineering friends who argue, with good evidence behind them, that the 4 Times Square aux site for NYC FMs actually has some significant signal advantages over Empire, especially within city

limits (Scott Fybush, ibid.)

ELEVEN OFF THE AIR ABANDONED RADIO STATIONS

http://weburbanist.com/2014/05/18/tuned-out-11-off-the-air-abandoned-radiostations/

(I may shed a tear...) (Blaine Thompson, IN, May 18, WTFDA via DXLD)

Includes The Woodpecker of Chernobyl, and KOME i.a. (gh, DXLD)

MEMPHIS SPORTS RADIO SHAKEUP: SPORTS790AM IS NOW ESPN790 AM - MEMPHIS

Sports 790am in Memphis has changed its affiliation from Fox Sports Radio to ESPN and is now going by the ëESPN 790AMí moniker.

The 5,000-watt station, which carries the familiar WMC call letters, is part of the Entercom family of radio stations in Memphis. Sister stations include FM100, The River WRVR 104.5fm, Classic Hits 94.1 and 92.9FM/580AM ESPN Sportsradio.

The switch, for the moment, means ESPN has three radios stations in the Memphis market broadcasting its content.

Memphis, for a market its size, has a lot of sports radio. In addition to the three Entercom stations broadcasting ESPN, thereis also Flinn Broadcastingis Sports56, which broadcasts on AM-560 and FM 87.7.

That gives Memphis radio listeners at least five places on the dial (AM plus FM) to get their sports fix, and maybe six if you happen to be close enough to Wynne, Ark., where even more ESPN radio can be found on AM-970.

No announcement has been made by Entercom about any lineup changes, though lunchtime listeners expecting to hear The Jim Rome Show were instead greeted by ESPN personalities Scott Van Pelt and Ryen Russillo. A call to Entercom about the change has not been returned.

WMC-AM-790 switched from country music to a sports format in 2011.

Rob Robertson covers banking and finance, health care, law, insurance and economic development. Contact him at rrobertson@bizjournals.com. (Biz Journals, via Kevin Redding, May 19, ABDX via DXLD)

I'll bite. Typo? Unlicensed? As far as I know 87.7 isn't legal or valid. Normally if you're doing something that's not legal you really don't want to give the FCC a way to identify who it's coming from. They are actually re-broadcasting another station??? Hmmm (Michael n Wyo Richard, ibid.)

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<http://www.bizjournals.com/memphis/print-edition/2011/12/09/sports-talk-drivesradio-in-mid-south.html>

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Or a "Franken FM" that is a Low Power TV pretending to be an FM Radio Station. That is perfectly legal to do until the DTV Mandate hits LPTV stations. 73, (Kevin Raper, KJ4HYD, CE WCKI WQIZ WLTQ, ibid.)

Typo. Flinn Broadcasting has a translator on 97.7. http://transition.fcc.gov/fcc-bin/fmq?call=W249BN Sent from my iPhone (Dennis Gibson, ibid.)

They do, but this station is really at 87.7, just another one of the many channel 6 "Franken- FM" LPTV operations that dot the landscape these days. Get used to them - the FCC hinted last week that it will soon push the analog sunset for LPTV forward from the planned 2015 date to at least 2020. s (Scott Fybush, ibid.)

Yeah, if you go to their website "sports56whbq.com" you'll see it there everywhere. Part of their logo and everything. It's definitely 87.7. I wasn't aware there were stations doing this but it does make sense. If it's actually TV audio then, I wonder if any 87.7's are actually in stereo? MTS stereo is different than FM stereo so I would think if they are actually a TV station, then they wouldn't be able to broadcast in FM Stereo, right? (Michael n Wyo, ibid.)

You would think wrong! LPTVs on 6 can run Multiplex FM Stereo with unrelated Video all they want! It ain't right, It ain't fair, but it is Legal. 73, (Kevin Raper, KJ4HYD, CE WCKI WQIZ WLTQ, ibid.)

http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/ view;jsessionid=0L16QccDR0kTJm5FjJt3SGSLhvtSGBH6SQjzdwnT1mrLcLF4Y7Gh!-224088840!-5 6284754?id=7021029288 Sent from my iPhone (Dennis Gibson, ibid.)

Our local XETV-6 is an interesting (albeit schizophrenic!) case.

For years they advertised that their morning news program could be heard on your car radio on 87.7 FM. They even fought the power increase of our local jazz station KSDS-88.3 for years, in their attempt to "protect" that signal.

A few years ago, they suddenly switched their over-the-air signal to Spanish language programming, while continuing to send their old English-language programming (CW network after they lost their Fox affiliation when Fox decided to stop dealing with across-the-border operations) to all the local cable companies. If you tune 87.7 FM now, you get a noticeably weaker audio feed of their Spanish language programming. If you tune "channel 6" on your cable box you still get the CW network and the old XETV-6 English language programming. 73 (Tim Hall, circa San Diego, ibid.)

You forgot "it ain't for much longer"' too. I don't remember when the end of analog is coming for LPTV, but it is in the next year or two, I think. Then they won't be able to transmit anything that can be picked up on analog FM. We have one of those in Denver that runs a Mexican sports format. I suppose it will migrate to AM after analog ends on LPTV. 73, (Kit W5KAT, ibid.)

The FCC was making noise last week about extending the deadline from 2015 to 2020. We'll see (Scott Fybush, ibid.)

### NOISELESS LIGHT DIMMERS

Can anyone recommend a 'noisless' dimmer...is there such a thing? (Steve VE7SL, IRCA via DXLD)

Hi Steve, Your question about a "noiseless" light dimmer jogged an old memory for me. In one of the first editions of Fine Tuning's "Proceedings" books that I helped edit, we had a short piece on this subject in a "Tips and Techniques" article.

John Bryant recommended a Nutone model DC-35 dimmer, sold as a "suppressed RF" light switch & dimmer for incandescent lamps only. He said it worked like a charm, with no QRM even using a portable radio up close to the switch.

John quoted the cost as \$30 in 1989... likely quite a bit more now. David Clark added that if you can't find this particular model, look for dimmers sold as "studio quality". 73, (Guy Atkins, Puyallup, WA, IRCA via DXLD)

Thank you, Guy! I will make note of this and start doing some hunting. If something noisless was available in 1989 then hopefully something similar is still being manufactured. My next door neighbour has no problem with me swapping out the present dimmer for something quieter; she even offered to remove it altogether but I don't want to be too heavy-handed since she also has allowed me to string my 2200m threewire flatop over the top of her house and property to a tree on the far side of her property:-) --- a very good neighbour indeed (Steve, ibid.)

Our neighbor decided to install a dimmer in their hallway so they

could have a dim night light. Turns out the noise caused by that dimmer made it's way into our house via the common transformer on the pole between our houses.

I talked to someone at City Light and they told me that I should get a certain brand (can't remember which - but it was many years ago so it's probably not made anymore). They mentioned that this brand was "made in Canada where they have more restrictions on RFI emissions". This I did and replaced their dimmer and the noise was gone.

Thus indicating that the regulations controlling emissions is the factor for producing an item. Since it costs more to include emission suppression, it is clear that unless the regulations "force" manufacturers to add it, they won't.

Now that the lights themselves are causing problems, the situation becomes more of a necessity. I have also experienced loud buzzing from a fish tank heater (the fellow moved so it's not a problem anymore) and I never found a solution (so I'm glad he moved, hi.)

So they key is for us to figure out which devices have better RFI suppression; and it wouldn't hurt to have a reference for DXers to know what to get. We can start by providing feedback to our eGroup on what works and what doesn't.

Let us know what works and what doesn't or any research that you've done. I will start to compile the results (Phil Bytheway, IRCA President / Goodie Factory, Seattle WA, Drake R-7 / KIWA Loop, ibid.)

MAKING WAVES: ROBERT WATSON-WATT, THE PIONEER OF RADAR By Philip Sim, Tayside and Central reporter, BBC Scotland

Robert Watson-Watt led the development of radar technology, the "secret weapon" in the Battle of Britain. Radar founder recognised in city --- A statue is being raised in a Scottish town honouring the man who led the development of Britain's "secret weapon" in World War Two - radar.

Sir Robert Watson-Watt pioneered the technology that helped win the Battle of Britain, and was knighted for it in 1942 - but outside of his birthplace in Brechin, few people today remember his name.

Radio detection and ranging, radar for short, is now used to keep passengers safe by detecting the flight path of every commercial aeroplane in the world, but it was developed as the threat of World War Two became more acute to warn of enemy planes on the move. . . http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-scotland-tayside-central-27393558

(14 May via Gerald T Pollard, NC, DXLD)

#### RE: AM RADIO CAN DISORIENT BIRDS

This is bizarre. "....the frequency range of "two to five kilohertz megahertz". What's that? Two to five kilo megahertz is two to five gigahertz. If you drop kilohertz, two megahertz is above the top of the AM broadcast band. Someone wrote this very badly and didn't do their homework.

http://news.discovery.com/animals/am-radio-can-disorient-birds-140507.htm Sent from my iPad (Dennis Gibson, CA, ABDX via DXLD)

# PROPAGATION ++++++

Hi Rob. How can you tell which signals are on an Es path and which ones are via tropo? (Brian VE7AUL, ODXA yg via DXLD)

Brian, Tropo sigs are generally much shorter distances and usually are longer lasting than E-Skip. Tropo can be in for days I've had strong sigs from a certain area, say, Chicago that hasn't faded at all for days. E-Skip is generally much greater distances, up to 2000 Miles if you're lucky. Most Tropo is less than 500 Miles Anything over that is Great DX!! E-Skip will also have some fading from minor to severe, but sigs can be full scale at times. With E-Skip you also get lots of station-swapping --- sometimes 5-6 stations in and out on the same frequency. E Skip openings can last from anywhere from Minutes to 5-6 hours at a time. 40 Years of DXing the FM/TV Bands also gives me lots of experience hearing these signals and makes it easy to discern which is which. Regards ROB VA3SW (Robert S. Ross, London, Ontario CANADA, ibid.)

LIGHTNING SCATTER, AND AIR FORCE SPACE FENCE RADAR

An item in last week's bulletin mentioned sprites, and on May 11 Martin McCormick, WB5AGZ wrote: "Back in the days of analog television, I used to sometimes listen to video carriers from Channel 7 which is 175.25 MHz with offsets at 175.24 and 175.26 MHz.

Before the change to DTV, Stillwater, OK could faintly receive signals from both Wichita, KS and Wichita Falls, TX on a normal day. With active thunderstorms in the area, but not too close to here, I remember hearing the carriers pop up in level a bit during a lightning discharge. The effect is similar and about as long-lasting as a meteor ping only without the Doppler Effect. If you have a receiver with a BFO for those frequencies, the note of the carrier gets louder for maybe 1-tenth to 1-quarter of a second at about the time one heard the static crash.

If a storm was between two stations up to a few hundred miles apart, one might get a meteor-style path for a fraction of a second.

The Channel 7 weak-signal listening ended many years ago when KOCO Channel 5 in Oklahoma city put it's digital output on VHF Channel 7 plus all the other analog Channel 7's left the air.

Another strong steady carrier source was the Air Force Space Fence transmitter at Lake Kickapoo near Wichita Falls, TX. The system was shut off in October of 2013 due to budget constraints, but its 700-kilowatt ERP transmitter on 216.97 MHz was designed to reflect off of satellites as they passed over the United States. It also bounced off aircraft as they flew overhead and I remember one evening a few years ago, tuning that frequency to hear an almost continuous barrage of sound that can best be described as sounding like a crackly phonograph record or bowl of Rice Krispies. It so happened there was a large thunderstorm over the Wichita Falls area and I strongly suspect that each lightning discharge was creating an ion cloud that dissipated almost as quickly as it occurred.

CW might have worked, but I can't imagine any other mode of communication working properly.

A read of Wikipedia searching for Air Force Radar Fence will get you a description of the system and why it no longer exists. It was actually 3 VHF transmitters and 6 receiving sites with Lake Kickapoo being the largest transmitter site. Strong steady carriers for propagation experiments are an endangered species.

As for Es, there are still a large number of analog TV signals in Mexico and other countries outside of the US and Canada. One North-South Es opening occurred around 1400 UTC on Sunday May 4, and was indicative of something I have heard numerous times. Mexican TV signals with local quality sound, full-quieting audio appeared on TV channels 2-4 with nary a beacon or QSO audible on 6 meters. I don't know if it is because nobody is on or maybe the coverage area of the path is extremely narrow but one would expect to hear something on 6. At other times, the low end of 6 sounds like 20 during a contest, so it is hard to say what is happening.

Stillwater, Oklahoma is roughly 36 deg N, 97 deg W. Last Sunday's opening lasted a couple of hours but was truly strong for only half an hour or so." (QST de W1AW, Propagation Forecast Bulletin From Tad Cook, K7RA, Seattle, WA May 16, 2014, To all radio amateurs, via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts

# Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 12 - 18 May 2014
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Solar activity was low all week. Of the 18 active regions observed on the visible disk through the course of the week, only three were responsible for 28 of the 32 x-ray flares recorded. Region 2056 (N05, L=258, class/area: Eko/300 on 12 May) produced 11 flares, including the largest of the week, a C8/1f at 14/1504 UTC. Regions 2060 (S14, L=227, class/area: Dac/180 on 14 May) and 2063 (N10, L=179, class/area: Dai/150 on 15 May) were responsible for nine and eight C-class events, respectively. Each of these three regions developed a beta-gamma type magnetic configuration during the week.

No Earth-directed coronal mass ejections were observed during the week. The only radio emission observed was a weak type II sweep (est. shock velocity 878 km/s) observed by the Sagamore Hill RSTN site from approximately 15/2028 - 2038 UTC. The sweep was likely associated with a CME first observed in SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery at 15/2048 UTC off the East limb.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at moderate levels on May 12 through May 16 and at normal levels for the remainder of the week.

Geomagnetic field activity was quiet all week with the exception a single unsettled period on 12 May.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 19 MAY - 14 JUNE 2014

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance for moderate or greater levels through the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels on 22-24 May in response to a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream. The remainder of the forecast period should see normal to moderate flux levels.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels throughout the period. Unsettled to active conditions are possible on 21-22 May, 25 May, and again on 04-08 Jun in response to recurrent coronal hole high speed solar wind streams.

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NEW METEOR SHOWER TONIGHT: HOW TO HEAR IT

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1722, DXLD)

http://www.space.com/25949-new-meteor-shower-camelopardids-listen-live.html (via Chuck Albertson, DXLD)

The ``below 91.1 MHz`` advice is nonsense; he must mean below 92.1, which is the upper edge of the non-commercial band. There are plenty of high-power stations on non-comm band too. It all depends on local circumstances. You may well have a good clear frequency above 92 with plenty of high-power commercial stations to DX from a distance, and which are more likely to burst something identifiable like a local ad reference if not a real ID, than public radio stations with long-form programs or even --- gasp! --- classical music.

The author is unaware of a really up-to-date database of FM stations in North America, far better than the outdated FM Atlas or M Street Directory. You can search on anything you may hear to help identify the station, such as slogan, format, or display all stations on the frequency in a certain state, etc.

http://db.wtfda.org

Some posts on ABDX suggest a peak at ``2-4 am`` Saturday --- does that mean local mean time, or default EDT? Looks like there will be nothing to see around here, with sky cover of 87% and good probability of rain tonight and all weekend.

A hi-gain FM antenna helps of course, but one can certainly hear MS on a sensitive caradio or even a portable; I already heard some pings while monitoring 94.1 this afternoon.

Meteor scatter also affects the VHF TV channels, but hardly worth trying in the DTV era. Sesquidecades ago, we got lots of MS TV DX, when stations would run test patterns with IDs in the early morning, like channel 2s, WBAY in Green Bay, WBBM Chicago, and many others IDed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Several other stories about this:

Meteor Shower - Estimated 5/24 2am-4am

http://www.weather.com/video/best-meteor-shower-in-a-decade-48771

The Earth will pass through the comet trail of the comet 209P/Linear, on May 24th, offering a never before seen meteor show. The above link from The Weather Channel has a 37 second video on it. I'm wondering what level of meteor scatter this might create? I work 3rd shift and happen to have this day off. I will listen around on FM to see what I can hear.

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Definitely worth checking out. Thanks for the tip! (Chris Lucas - Poughkeepsie, NY - FN31bs, SONY XDR-F1HD Tuner, Channel Master 9-element Stereo Probe antenna @25', 145' HAAT, WTFDA via DXLD)

Likewise, appreciated! Wonder if this will become an annual event (Saul Chernos, ibid.)

Listened to "Stardate" on the way into work today. They said this shower was discovered in 2004 and orbits the sun every 5 years. If things align properly, that would likely be the frequency of its recurrence (Mike Hawkins, ibid.)

Thatís what I read, as well. Will be interesting to confirm, and to see how this yearís event pans out (Saul Chernos ibid.)

Iive sent a query to the author of one article, who is from NASA, letting him know Iill be monitoring; and asking if he thinks it possible this may become a regular event (my hunch from reading is it wonit). (Saul Chernos, ibid.)

http://www.techtimes.com/articles/7355/20140521/new-meteor-shower-peaks-may-23-24-see-1-000-shooting-stars-per-hour.htm

No truer words Ö. iTo "tune-in" to the upcoming shower, find an area relatively far away from FM stations.î I wonder how many people who enjoy seeing a Meteor shower could really care about hearing one on FM - I do and will be rolling the ELAD FDM-S2 tonight! (Bill Nollman, Farmington, CT, ibid.)

FM radio will pick up sounds from upcoming meteor shower [requires subscription]

http://www.sciencerecorder.com/news/fm-radio-will-pick-up-sounds-from-upcomingmeteor-shower/

Sent from my iPhone (via Dennis Gibson, May 21, ABDX via DXLD)

It was a bust (gh) ####